

## PANCHO VILLA'S MEN NOW AFTER CITY OF TORREON

Reported That the Mexican Bandit Chief Dominates Virtually All of North.

Victory of Diaz and Robles Rebels Has About Isolated the Capital City.

Now Given Out that He Can Also Have Juarez Most Any Time He Desires It.

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 23.—With Torreon reported in his possession and Chihuahua City at the mercy of General Salazar, Pancho Villa has virtually dominated all northern Mexico.

Villa's victory and the conquests of the southern rebels under Diaz and Robles have practically isolated Mexico City. The capture of Torreon cuts off all communication from the north. It may still be possible to reach Mexico City from Tampico, but that route also is expected to be closed very soon.

The Villistas began systematic sacking of Torreon, said unconfirmed reports reaching here today. The Villistas are under command of General Fernandez. Capture of Torreon, one of the richest railway and cotton centers in Mexico, put Villa in possession of well equipped trains. The bandit leader himself is still at Jiminez.

The arrival at Juarez early today of General Murguia, Carranza's commander at Chihuahua City, was regarded as preliminary to the evacuation of the state capital by the Carranzistas. Villa's agents here declared confidently today that Villa can have Juarez "any time he wants it." With the announcement of Ynez Victoria, Villa's agents renewed their efforts to obtain a conference with United States representatives, hoping to reach an agreement regarding Villa's campaign against Carranza and the protection of foreigners.

## LINER VOLTAIRE IS MISSING ON OCEAN

Ship Not Heard From Since November 28, May be Victim of Lurking Submarine

An Unidentified Schooner is Reported Lost Off Coast of Nova Scotia on Atlantic

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The liner Voltaire, two weeks overdue, apparently has met with some mysterious fate in the Atlantic. She carried a crew of 140, one-third of them Americans. In shipping circles, fear was expressed today that she had been torpedoed by a German submarine, or that a Teuton commerce raider had captured her. Her owners, the Lamport and Holt line, clung to the belief that the vessel had been disabled in mid-Atlantic.

The story was discounted by the lack of wireless messages from the Voltaire since her departure from Liverpool, November 28. No incoming ships have reported seeing her.

It was pointed out by marine men that if the vessel had been torpedoed she almost certainly would have been able to use her wireless. If she was trapped by a seemingly innocent merchantman she could not do so.

At almost the date of the Voltaire's departure from Liverpool, two German commerce raiders were reported to have broken through the British blockade.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 23.—A large unidentified schooner has been lost off Dartmouth Point, Mahone Bay. All on board are believed to have perished.

The liner Voltaire, believed to be the schooner William Mason, cut in a gudge, near Yarmouth after the front man was lashed in firmly he did not move. His spectre to the chief is disappeared. The better job of the front door open. Chief of Police appeared, walked the job down the steps and intimated, rection of the soldierly plums cocked his revolver. "Ten administer count three," he told Conner with a steady voice, "and then whether you throw up your hands or accept. The ghost remained in position, steadily advanced; while a year, soldier's horse to the mount he made a circle. At the end of the traffic as head he will make a home for him again.

Weather for Ohio and Vicinity

Partly cloudy tonight; slightly warmer southwest portion. Sunday unsettled and warmer, probably snow.

Temperature at Solar Refinery

4 a. m. ..... 15  
9 a. m. ..... 17  
12 m. ..... 24  
2 p. m. ..... 24

## MERCHANTS OF THE CITY ARE PLEASED

Climax of a Mammoth Holiday Business Will Come With Saturday Evening.

Tendency to Give Useful Gifts Much Greater Than in Any Former Year.

According to a number of Lima merchants interviewed by The Times-Democrat this afternoon, the holiday volume of business in this city is a whole lot better than last. Many new residents have removed to Lima during the year, and they, as well as the several thousand already employed in Lima manufacturing plants, have been receiving excellent wages. Besides that, merchants have made the year just closing the banner one from an advertising standpoint, and the trade from the rural districts has been heavier this season than at any time in the history of Lima.

The fact that prices have advanced on many articles as a result of the European war has not served to cut down the amount of business, these merchants say. They say, also, that the average increase will not run above 5 per cent. This, with the fact that most everyone is working at this time, has not proven any handicap at all in general trading.

One of the leading merchants said this afternoon that he has noted closely and finds that Lima people have bought this year with greater care, and have insisted upon quality more than they have in former years. And he also says that if there is one tendency more than another at this time it is the desire to give useful gifts. The book departments of every store in the city shows increased sales. The grocers, especially the larger ones downtown, state that many people who formerly gave trinkets are this year actually making gifts of potatoes, apples, etc., and the furniture people have noted the same thing as regards their lines.

This evening will see the end of the holiday shopping. It has been pleasantly done, because a large part of it was done early. And from every standpoint it has been as great as the Lima merchants anticipated.

### CLOSING DANISH DEAL

Only Final Details Remain in U. S. Denmark Purchase.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 23.—Only the final details remain to be settled in the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States for \$25,000,000. King Christian has ratified the treaty providing for the sale following the passage of the ratification bill in both houses of parliament. The ratification will be sent to the United States on January 11.

### STEALS SCENTED HANDKERCHIEFS

Dentist Just Cannot Help Swiping Them From Ladies' Pockets.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 23.—When Dr. J. J. Gross, a well-to-do dentist of this city, steals highly perfumed handkerchiefs he just can't make his hands behave. This was the explanation to the police today after his arrest on a charge of stealing kerchiefs and gloves from women shopkeepers. Several of the articles were found in his pockets.

"I have a constant desire to take handkerchiefs from women's handbags just to smell the perfume," he said.

### MADE HIS CHARGES AND THEN HE WITHDREW 'EM

After declaring in his petition for divorce that his wife was guilty of associating with other men and gave one man a large amount of money as a token of her affection for him, Harley Diehl has withdrawn the divorced suit against his wife, Leona Diehl. It is said that she decided to forget differences and she will make a home for him again.

## HUGE INCREASES SHOWN IN 1915 LABOR REPORTS

Allen County Alone Has 1826 More Men Employed in Her Industries Now.

Serious Unemployment Situation in State Was Overcome Early in the Year.

Extraordinary Methods Are Used by Employers Now to Secure More Labor.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23.—In a report just issued on the labor situation in Ohio for 1915 by George F. Miles, chief statistician of the state industrial commission, 17,981 employers announced an increase of 167,455 or 26.1 per cent in the number employed in December, 1915, over the number employed in January of the same year.

"The state was confronted at the opening of 1915 by a very serious unemployment situation," the report says, "but the introduction of such an enormous number of workers into the industries of the state during a single 12 months created a very unusual situation. Employers were driven to extraordinary methods in an endeavor to secure help, and wages, particularly of the unskilled and transient workers, advanced considerably."

"Assuming that these 167,455 additional workers were secured without bringing men in from other states, it follows that there must have been that many unemployed workers in Ohio at one time," Miles says.

The report on the fluctuation of labor in the larger counties of the state for the year shows that in Cuyahoga county, the number employed increased from 152,648 in January to 181,899 in December in 2,892 establishments. In Hamilton county, reports from 3,055 establishments showed that the number employed increased from 108,760 in January to 120,038 in December. In Lucas county the number employed in January by 1,061 firms was 41,750, which increased to 58,641 in December. In Montgomery county 811 establishments showed an increase in employment of from 29,983 in January to 33,501 in December; Muskingum county had an increase in 251 establishments of from 6,694 in January to 7,966 in December; in Summit county 491 establishments reported an increase of from 35,050 in January to 53,339 in December; in Clark county, 320 establishments reported an increase from 10,958 to 13,430 and in Allen county 234 establishments reported an increase from 6,607 to 8,433.

### NINE CONVICTS PARDONED

Governor Confers Yuletide Gifts of Freedom at Pen.

COLUMBUS, Dec. 23.—Liberty was the Yuletide gift of Santa Willis to nine convicts today: John Caloy, murderer, Cuyahoga; William Stiles, forger, Franklin; Joseph Thomas, assault, Jefferson; C. S. Beidler, murderer, Lucas; O. T. Borham, murderer, Jefferson; M. P. Enyeart, murderer, Trumbull; Howard Hill, murderer, Lucas; L. J. Wood, larceny, Lorain; Phil Winegartner, murderer, Summit.

### \$170,000 DUMPED INTO SNOW AS AUTO UPSETS

YOUNGSTOWN, Dec. 23.—Old King Snow received \$175,000 for Christmas today, an automobile carrying two weeks pay for Carnegie steel employees turning over. It was an Indian gift, however, for the money was quickly taken from the snowy white carpet.

### BURNS TO DEATH IN GARAGE

Mother Suffocated in Upper Room of Building; Son Saved.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—A mother was burned to death and her son was rescued by firemen today when fire swept the garage of Grant B. Schley, millionaire banker, in East Sixty-sixth street. Mrs. Harold Delaney, wife of the chauffeur, was locked in a room above the garage and was suffocated. Firemen rescued her son, Harold, 14, whom they found clasped in her arms. A pulmotor revived him.

### KILLED WITHIN A WEEK OF HIS WEDDING DAY

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Dec. 23.—William O. Clements, 22 years old, night yard clerk in the Big Four yards here, was killed Friday, his mangled body being found on the rail. He was to have been married on New Year's day.

### STATEMEN WHO REPLIED TO PEACE OFFER.



### NO PAPER MONDAY

That the employees of the Times-Democrat will observe Christmas day with their families and friends and enjoy the holiday to the fullest extent, there will be no issue of the paper on Monday, December 25.

The Times-Democrat feels that every reader will willingly forego his paper for one day that the men and women who make it may join with them in celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace. Regular issues will be resumed on Tuesday.

In the meantime the members of the Times-Democrat Publishing Co. and all of its employees, join in wishing for you and yours a very Merry Christmas.

## PEACE MOVE IS PUT UP TO THE ENTENTE ALLIES

Much Depends on the Attitude Great Britain Takes in Advice to Associates.

Germany Sees Joyous Gleam in an Otherwise Gloomy Christmas in Berlin.

Paris Regards U. S. Action as Compelling the Kaiser to Show Up His Hand.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The United States has done all that it can for the present in urging consideration of peace. The next move is up to the entente allies. That is the attitude of the administration today.

Judging from the utterance of A. Bonar Law in London to the effect that no immediate answer could be expected by the United States to the Wilson note, officials here are anticipating a long wait for a reply. It was pointed out that exchanges of views and opinions between the governments of the entente and sounding out of the views of the peoples of those nations, will be necessary before England and its allies are prepared to answer.

London still is believed to possess the influence to swing its allies to a favorable or unfavorable reply to the Wilson note, as well as the Teutonic peace discussion proposal. With this in view, the efforts of the administration will be directed against the British capital.

Despite early discouraging reports of the reception of the note by the British officials, optimism here is undiminished. The hope persists that when the people of Great Britain become thoroughly acquainted with the suggestion of the president, public opinion will force a change of attitude on the part of the London government. This may prove a slow process, it was admitted today, but the Wilson communication, coming on top of the Bethmann-Holle propoal to the enemies of the allies, it is hoped here, will pave the way for further discussion of peace and keep that subject in the minds of the people of the warring countries.

### WILSON GIVES PEACE BOOST

Berlin Sees a Joyous Gleam in Otherwise Gloomy Christmas.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—That President Wilson's note has given the peace movement a strong impetus was the view expressed here today. Some of the newspapers call it "a joyous gleam in what otherwise would have been a gloomy Christmas season."

The president's note had been presented to the foreign office before the arrival of the American ambassador, James W. Gerard, consequently the government had a chance to digest the document before the American diplomat called upon Dr. Zimmermann, the foreign office secretary, to pay his respects.

Just what the German reply to the note will be is not known, but there is a strong current of opinion that Germany will make known her peace terms. However, this depends to a big extent upon the complexion of the note from the entente powers.

GERMANY MUST COME ACROSS

Paris Opinion is That Wilson Has Forced German Show Down.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—While the French foreign office considers the note of President Wilson and exchanges ideas with her allies the press is pointing out that the document may force Germany into the open with definite peace terms.

The Temps, a newspaper that holds considerable political influence, admits that the people want peace, but declares that they are unwilling to lay down their arms until victory is assured, in view of the fact that "war was forced upon them".

The Intransigent says it will be impossible for Germany to sidestep the request of President Wilson that the terms of peace be made known.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Exchanges between the allies relative to the reply which shall be made to President Wilson's note have already begun, it was reported in diplomatic circles today.

As was the case with the German note proposing that "the allies enter into peace negotiations forthwith" the reply will be identical from all the entente powers.

The Wilson note and the speech of King George proroguing parliament until February 7 were the last topics of interest today in the Yards and in political circles.

### COLUMBIA SWEEP BY FLOOD

Many Lives Lost and \$8,000,000 Damage is Done.

COLON, Dec. 23.—Many lives have been lost, thousands of persons have been made homeless and more than \$3,000,000 damage done as the result of floods in the Magdalena valley in Northern Colombia. A dispatch from Bogota today says that the government is undertaking relief measures. Barranquilla, Cali, Magangué and many other towns have been inundated. Traffic has been tied up on the Calamar-Cartagena railway. More than 10,000 head of cattle were drowned.

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### CHILDREN OF VETERANS AT XENIA NUMBER 667

XENIA, O., Dec. 23.—Nearly twice as many children of veterans of the Spanish-American war, as children of veterans of the Civil war, are now inmates of the Ohio Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home.

Of the 677 children now pupils at the institution 234 have Civil war veteran fathers; 401 are children of Spanish war veterans, and fathers of 42 served in the regular navy or navy.

### MYSTERY IN BANKER'S DEATH

Poison Bottles Found Near the Body of Burt Hardinge.

BOWLING GREEN, Dec. 23.—Coroner Spitzer has planned to begin an investigation of the death of Burt C. Hardinge, 44, cashier of the First National bank here. Hardinge died Thursday afternoon from carbolic acid and chloroform poisoning.

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### \$4,750,000 LIFE INSURANCE HUNG ON CHRISTMAS TREE

CLEVELAND, Dec. 23.—Life insurance policies totaling \$4,750,000 were hung on 4,500 Christmas trees today by four Cleveland manufacturing concerns. The donors were the Union Nut company, Union Rolling Mill company, Cleveland Provision company and the Lamson and Sessions company.

With flames leaping around him, E. J. Jendron, the watchman, rattled the receiver for six minutes, then dashed out to a nearby saloon and called the fire department. When the department arrived the building was too far gone to save.

### HELLO GIRL'S DELAY COSTLY

# LITTLE CUPID WILL MAKE MERRY, TOO

JONES IS AFTER CONTACTS

# JUDGE JACKSON TO OFFER AMENDMENT

PAY OR PEN FOR ELMER

# HIS YULETIDE'S TO BE SPENT IN JAIL

WOMAN, 3, AS A RESIDENT OF CHINA, SO LONG AS IN THE WAR LASTS

I HAVE KNOWN THAT SINCE OLD BOBBY EVER SINCE I WAS A CHILD, AS A BOY, WE USED TO TAKE HIM CHRISTMAS PRESENTS EVERY YEAR, AND NOW TO THINK THAT I HAVE TO PAY HIM A PENNISON BEFORE I CAN TAKE A WALK IN MY FATHER'S VILLAGE.

AR.BA NOT BRITISH BOAT  
London Declares P. & O. Liner Was Never in Government Service.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The P. & O. liner Arabia was not in the British government service and never had been in the service of any of the governments of the entente. The state department was informed today by the British foreign office. The Arabia was torpedoed in the Mediterranean several weeks ago. Americans were on board but all were saved.

The British government said that the Arabia was not in any sense a trans-Atlantic but that on its last trip it carried government employees as "secret passengers". The German government claim that the Arabia had on board "soldier laborers" was denied also.

Bank Official Recommends Them. T. N. Norell, vice president of the Bank of Cottonwood, Tex., writes: "I have received rel. and recommend F. Ley Kidney Potts to any one who has kidney trouble." Kidney trouble manifests itself in many ways—in worry, by aches, pains, soreness, stiffness, and rheumatism. H. F. Vortkamp.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rogers are the guests of Mrs. Roger's mother, Mrs. J. D. S. Neely.

Many Happy Hearts Choose Yuletide Season to Start Beating in Holy Unison.

Many of Them Are Rural Residents Who Are Marrying "The Only Girl."

The high cost of living makes no difference in the marriages of farmers, for while other people are wondering how to make ends meet, they are living off the fat of the land and enjoying the greatest prosperity. A majority of the Christmas licenses issued today were to farmers, who were marrying the "only girl" and will establish a little home, down on the farm.

For awhile early this forenoon, couples came so thick and fast they had to be seated in the office of the probate judge before they could be escorted into Cupid's little den, where licenses are issued by the accommodating clerk. Marriages of the couples will take place either tonight, tomorrow or on Christmas day.

Those who were made happy by granting of permits to marry were: George O. Mowery, 21, laborer, of 619 South Central avenue, and Clio Marie Fifer, 20, domestic, of 423 East Third street. A Justice of the peace will officiate.

Iva Martin Criswell, 26, of Orrville, Ohio, and Ada Viola Branneman, 17, domestic, of Allen county. The Rev. B. Stofius to officiate.

Melvin R. Zimmerly, 23, farmer, of Bluffton, and Lavina Gratz, 20, of Richland township. The Rev. W. S. Gottschall to officiate.

Vale Leonard Latson, 22, electrician, of 516½ South Main street, and Geraldine L. Fritz, 22, of 206 West Elm street.

Edward T. Smith, 28, carpenter, of 530 Holmes avenue, and Margaret M. Gorham, 20, domestic, of 537 West Vine street. The Rev. Warren J. Dunham to officiate.

John Clyde Hathorn, 27, farmer, of Bath township, and Anna Barber Zimmer, 19, of Jacksonstown. The Rev. T. W. Hoernemann to officiate.

Roy Harrison Best, 21, farmer, of Columbus Grove, and Ella Amstutz, 19, domestic, of Beaverdam.

PLEAD GUILTY TO TAKING POWER HOUSE MATERIAL.

Frank Howard and David Overholts, arrested on a charge of taking materials from the Ohio Electric power station, were arraigned in Justice Morris' court yesterday and pleaded guilty. They were fined \$5 and costs and given ten days each in the county jail.

## ESTIMATE CALLS FOR \$200

It Will Take That To Run Lima's Civil Service Commission.

According to the estimate of the civil service commission, \$200 will be required to operate the department during the first six months of 1917. Of this amount \$125 is required to pay the salaries of members of the board and the remainder for stationery and incidentals.

The finance committee of council will meet next Tuesday night in the office of City Auditor Rupert to prunedown the estimates asked by different departments for operating expenses during the first part of next year.

## ADA REMEMBERS OHIO SOLDIERS AT THE BORDER.

The two people of Ada have provided a Christmas treat for soldiers stationed along the Mexican border. Barrels of canned fruit and preserves, cakes, candies, nuts, fruit, cigars and tobacco will reach the soldiers in time for the Christmas celebration. Money amounting to \$50 was also forwarded.

Mrs. Deming wife of Colonel Guy Deming, of the Second regiment, and Lieutenant Hill, military instructor at the Ohio Northern university, were responsible for the movement to remember Ada boys at the border. Nearly every family in that town donated towards the movement.

## LITTLE CHILD IS DEAD AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Walter R. Roby, year-old-son of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Roby of 433 South Central avenue, died this morning at five o'clock at the family home, after an illness of three weeks. Funeral services will be held Tuesday forenoon at 10 o'clock at the residence, conducted by the Rev. W. J. Young, pastor of the First Christian church. Burial will be at Woodlawn.

## LIMA TRUST CO. GETS A JUDGMENT SATURDAY

Judgment in the amount of \$2,129.57 and costs was granted in court today against Bertha M. and S. T. Court in favor of the Lima Trust Company. Unless the same is paid within three days, the property used to secure notes given the bank will be advertised and sold at public auction.

## WILLIAM McGEE IS OUT FOR HEARING THURSDAY

William McGee, arrested on charge of assault and battery was arraigned in Justice Morris' court and pleaded not guilty to the charge. His hearing was set for next Thursday. He was released under a \$25 bond.

Wants to Start Men Clearing Timber on the Reservoir Site.

Would Have All Misdemeanors Committed in the Co. Heard in His Court.

Proposed Amendment is to Come Before Next Session of the Ohio Legislature.

## RESCUE HOME ALLOWED TO ENCUMBER PROPERTY

Judge William Klinger today authorized the Lima Rescue Home to encumber their property at East Wayne street and Central avenue in the sum of \$10,000 to complete the new building started, to be used for the home in the future. They were also authorized to sell five inches of land off the west end of the lot to the Elmer D. Webb company, for the construction of a west wall, the same to be used for the new building of the Rescue Home.

## CONTRACTS AWARDED BY CONTROL BOARD

For Filtration Plant and the Installation of Considerable New Equipment.

Toledo and Pittsburgh Concerns Will Make New Improvements for This City.

The board of control today awarded contracts for the construction of the filtration plant and the installing of equipment in both this plant and the remodeled pump station. However, because of the numerous separate bids on parts, the price at which the contracts were awarded will not be known until next week.

The construction of the filtration plant was awarded to O. Bentley & Sons company, of Toledo. The Dravo-Doyle company, of Pittsburgh, will furnish a 6,000,000 gallon pump for the present pump station, and a Turbine generator for operating big pumps at the new reservoir.

The John W. Danforth company, of Buffalo, was awarded contracts for furnishing five pumps. Three have a capacity of 4,000,000, and the other two, 25,000,000 gallons.

The Balances and Wilcox company of New York, were yesterday awarded contract to install two 250 horse power water tube boilers in the new pump station. They will cost \$11,434. The Wehr Chimney company of Chicago, was given the contract for the construction of the 150-foot smokestack. The figures at which was awarded was \$7,800.

## THE CORE

William Griffin, sentenced to three months in the workhouse for non-support, was taken to the institution Saturday morning.

Police Judge Emmett Jackson, first trustee, O. C. C. in whose home on a trolley, has asked the department to extend his trolley to Jan. 24, at which time his time of enlistment expires.

Wm. Hoffer, former editor of the Wapak News and now conducting a paper at Auburn, Ind., was a Lima visitor Friday.

The "Quick Work Company", with a capital of \$400,000, has been organized at St. Marys and incorporated. The company makes machines for cutting zinc patterns.

Preaching services will be held in the Lutheran church, West Cairo, on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, by engagement of Henderson to Miss Rev. W. C. Spaulding, pastor, of Lima.

Mr. Paul F. Garretson of Taft, California, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garretson of South McDonel street.

Joe K. Garretson of Kenyon college is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Garretson of New Orleans, are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Garretson.

Harry Moore Azor of Indianapolis, was the guest of Paul F. Garretson several days the past week.

## SUTHERLAND AWARDED \$1,416.67 AS DAMAGES

Judgment for \$1,416.67 was granted to John W. Sutherland against the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railway company, by the jury which returned a verdict at 2:15 o'clock this afternoon. They took the case at 11:30 o'clock. Sutherland sued for \$5,600 damages for alleged personal injuries sustained when he was thrown from a trolley car which was derailed so far at Wapakoneta.

County Recorder Seeks To Boost His Payroll.

County Recorder E. E. Fisher has filed action in the court of common pleas to have the amount of money to be used for deputy hire the coming year increased to the extent of \$1,000. The county commissioners granted him \$1,223.36.

Mr. Charles Large and daughter Gertrude, of Cleveland, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Reminger, of Main avenue.

"Pa, why did you never become rich?" he says to his young son.

"I guess I married a young woman who was not sufficient with which to make the outer successfully."

## JUDGE JACKSON TO OFFER AMENDMENT

Beaverdam Man Must Make His Choice by Thursday.

Elmer Augsburger, of Beaverdam, today decided that a sentence in the Ohio state penitentiary was not a very good Christmas gift. He had just until Tuesday morning to file a bond in the sum of \$500 to pay his wife, from whom he is living separately, the amount of \$2.50 a week, imposed by the court, for the support of their infant child.

When Judge Klinger heard the matter last Saturday, he told Augsburger there was no fooling about it, he was either gone and the payment of money to take care of the child or he would impose the penitentiary sentence which hangs over Augsburger's head. The young man tried to rid himself of the wife and child by suing for divorce, but the court interfered, in behalf of the child.

SIMPSON IS INVITED TO MEET WITH OTHER MAYORS

Mayor Simpson received a communication from Mayor Harry Davis of Columbus, requesting his attendance at a meeting of the mayors of the state to be held in Columbus, next Thursday, for the purpose of discussing ways and means to relieve the attention of the criminal court of the financial conditions of cities of the state.

The purpose of the session is to present a plan at the pending meeting of the legislature for obtaining relief. Executive heads of all the larger cities of the state will attend the session.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:

Section 1. That sections 1 and 2 of an act, entitled an act to establish a criminal court in the city of Lima, Allen county, Ohio, passed April 1, 1915, be amended to read as follows:

Section 1. There is hereby established in the city of Lima, Allen county, Ohio, a criminal court held by a judge, which court shall be styled the criminal court and be a court of record, and shall have jurisdiction of any offense under any ordinance of the city of Lima, and of any misdemeanor committed within the limits of Allen county, to hear and finally determine the same and impose the prescribed penalty; but cases in which the accused is entitled to a trial by a jury, shall be so tried unless a jury is waived in writing by the accused.

Section 2. In felonies committed within the county such court shall have the power to hear the case and discharge, recognize or commit and upon such hearing the court is of the opinion that the offense is only a misdemeanor and that such court has jurisdiction of such offense a plea of guilty of such offense may be received and sentence and judgment pronounced.

Section 3. That said original sections 1 and 2 of an act entitled an act to establish a criminal court in the city of Lima, Allen county, Ohio, passed April 1, 1915, be and the same are hereby repealed.

## JUDGMENT IS CONFESSION

ECHO OF PANDORA OVERALL BANKRUPTCY HEARD IN LOCAL COURT.

An echo of the recent involuntary bankruptcy proceedings into which the Pandora Manufacturing company was forced and a receiver named, is heard in the court of common pleas, when A. J. Welty of the company, confessed judgment in favor of the German-American bank in the sum of \$6,000; P. B. Felt in favor of the bank for \$1,000; and L. W. Weller, F. L. Hart, Jacob A. Sutler and David Lighty, acting for the Pandora Manufacturing company, the three latter of whom are from Pandora, also confessed judgment for \$5,000.

The company manufacturers overalls and such articles and is located on East Market street. The plant at Pandora burned a few months ago, after a part of the stock had been moved to Lima.

## MOUNTAIN TOP TO BE THE ATAP

When Dayton Young Woman and Californian Are Wedded.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 23.—Upon the summit of Mt. Wilson, just between 1916 and 1917, the old, old pledge "for better or for worse" will be made by lovely Rose Lawler and Richard Henderson.

The wedding will be the climax of an old school-day affair when Rose, in little checkered apron, allowed Richard to carry her slate.

At a dinner given the other night by the Phi Kappa in honor of their president, Frank G. Hess, the fraternity declared its intention of placing fairy godfather to the young couple up the Mt. Wilson trail to the halfway house, where a barn dance will be held. Three quarters of the way to the summit a pre-nuptial breakfast of ham and eggs will be cooked on the trail.

At midnight the solemn words will be spoken. The ceremony will be so planned that the bride and bridegroom will be unable to claim either 1916 or 1917 as their wedding year.

## JUST GO TO ANY CHURCH

LIMA PASTORS PREPARE FOR "GO-TO-CHURCH-MONTH" IN THIS CITY.

All thought of their own church and of increasing the membership thereof will be lost sight of in the Go-to-Church month campaign, to be made during January by the Lima Pastors' Union. At a special meeting yesterday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. it was decided that members and pastors would circulate cards, making special effort to get people to go to church. Any church they may wish to attend will be available and the committee in charge, not ministers, will suggest no particular church.

Church attendance is the one thing desired. The distribution of cards will begin as soon as the Christmas holidays are passed.

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# GHOSTS FIGURE IN A SUIT FOR RENT

Tenant Upheld by Court in Leaving a House Where Weird Noises Are Heard.

Landlord Sues a Man for Slander His Property, Case is Not Yet Decided.

By Frederic J. Haskin, ... BALTIMORE, MD., Dec. 22.—Last fall a man broke his lease and moved out of a house in one of the best residential districts here, because he claimed he heard weird and singular noises that could not be accounted for. The owner of the house promptly sued for the rent, but the court upheld the action of the tenant. Then the owner sued for \$15,000 damages, asserting that his property had been slandered by the statements of the tenant that the house was haunted.

This is one of the most unusual cases that has ever come up in any court. Both parties have strong and just arguments. The tenant was probably justified in moving from a house that contained inexplicable manifestations. It is all very well to say you don't believe in ghosts, but strange noises night after night are apt to get on your nerves. On the other hand, the owner was within his rights in attempting to hold the man to his lease, and in suing for slander, since accusations of this sort have often served to place a stigma on a house that has lasted for years. The most interesting feature of the case, however, is in the defense of the tenant's attorneys, who hold that no slander in regard to the property has occurred, because that does not exist.

According to Judge O. A. Lucas, who is hearing the case, this is the first time that the question of spooks has entered the courts of Baltimore, and it is doubtful if a precedent may be found anywhere in the legal annals of this country. So far, the outcome of the case rests with the ability of the owner's attorneys to produce a photograph or other tangible evidence of ghosts in court within a month; if this cannot be done, the suit will not be allowed to proceed.

Ghosts, their habits, their haunting grounds and their victims have been the cause of immense discussion and contention throughout history. Since the London Society of Psychical Research began its investigations, a haunted house has taken on a new prestige. It is more in the nature of a valuable possession, to be carefully preserved for future generations, than a horror and annoyance to the neighborhood. An enterprising business woman who keeps a roadhouse not far from Baltimore purposely spread tales concerning its spooky character of a mysterious veiled person who always appears at midnight, etc. As a result the curiosity of the whole countryside is tremendous. It is one of the most popular resorts in Maryland and the income of the proprietor is an effective testimonial to the commercial value of ghosts.

It is not so many years ago that every town, village and hamlet had its haunted house—a forlorn and gloomy structure with rakish blinds and sunken doorsteps that sent an icy chill down the spine of each small figure that hurried past it on his way to school. For years such a house would stand an isolated monument to spooks, shunned even by animals until it slowly fell to pieces or until some workmen could be induced to visit the grounds in broad daylight and tear it down.

Shortly after the civil war the inhabitants of a small village near Philadelphia were terrified by the regular appearance of an energetic ghost on the property of one of the foremost citizens that lay on a lonely stretch of road. Every night just as the village clock struck twelve a white figure was seen to appear in the front yard of the house, which was an old colonial structure, give a few flaps of its arms and utter a long plaintive cry that caused its hearers to shudder. No one could be persuaded to go past this house after dark, and those who through urgent necessity would have done so could not make their horses pass it. This was the state of affairs that existed when the owner of the property came home from war.

The owner was a sturdy young soldier who had encountered greater terrors than spooks on the battlefield and who refused to be impressed by any of the stories told by the villagers. When they had finished he asked only one question: What had become of the stableman whose business was being run by a visiting relative? The stableman had gone on a business trip south the people said. A few nights later, alone and on the white horse he had ridden in the war, the soldier galloped off in the direction of his property against the tearful advice of his friends and the townsfolk. He had great difficulty in persuading his horse to enter the front yard of the house, but finally he drew him up in the shadow of a tree and waited for the mysterious spectre to appear. He was not disappointed. But as the reverberations of the village clock died away the front door opened and a white figure appeared, walking majestically down the steps and in the very direction of the soldier, who calmly cocked his revolver. "I'm going to count three," he told the spectre in a steady voice, "and if you don't throw up your hands I will shoot." The ghost remained silent and motionless; while, caused the soldier's horse to prance madly about in a circle. At the end of three,

however, the soldier managed to shoot, and the white figure gathered its robes about it, tore off its mask and fled. A few days later, the stableman appeared in the village with a bandaged arm, and from that time on the ghost ceased his midnight walks on the soldier's property.

In this case, the motive of the ghost was perfectly clear. Before the war the stableman wanted to buy the soldier's property, but the soldier did not care to sell it and therefore made the price prohibitive. The stableman thereupon conceived the idea of haunting the place and making it valueless so that the soldier would be glad to sell it at any price. Unfortunately, all that he gained was a great deal of lost sleep and perhaps the amusement of watching the scared villagers.

The desire to frighten people is born in almost everybody, at some time or other. Who has not, at some early period of his existence, delighted in jumping suddenly at people from behind a door or from beneath a table; making startling unearthly noises, and wearing hideous headgear on Hallowe'en? To this childish characteristic alone have been attributed several serious "haunts" that have mystified people for centuries.

For example, many years ago, the Wesley family in England was troubled by an interlude of ghosts. The Rev. Samuel Wesley is principally known to posterity as the father of the John Wesley who founded Methodism, but he was also the father of seventeen other remarkable Wesleys. At the time the ghost made its appearance the family was living on the somewhat desolate Isle of Axholme. The boys were away at school and the household consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley and seven daughters. The servant girl was the first one to be visited by ghostly manifestations which occurred outside her bedroom door in a long series of blood-chilling groans. At first the family laughed at her, but changed its mind a few nights later when knocks, groans and various peculiar noises were heard in different parts of the house.

For sometime the Rev. Samuel was neglected by the ghost, and was furious at his family for paying any attention to what he termed the superstitious vagaries of a servant girl. After this, the ghost devoted most of his energies to annoying the Rev. Samuel until he became convinced and sent for two ministers to come and help him exorcise the devil from his house. The nerves of the family were reaching a precarious stage when the ghost disappeared as suddenly as it had come and the household was once more left in peace.

While nothing was ever proved conclusively concerning the Wesley ghost, subsequent inquiry and investigation point to the activities of one Mehatab Wesley, a girl of eighteen who had a lively disposition and a vivid imagination, quite capable of adopting haunting as a means of amusement.

In looking up the past records of ghosts, it is surprising to note the number that have turned out to be the creations of children. Now that the Society of Psychical Research is providing us with evidence of dissociated personality, telepathic current and the various mysteries of our spiritual selves, it is comforting to discover that the greatest spooks of the past have been unquestionably human. In the meantime, the Baltimore court is awaiting with interest the evidence of defendant's attorneys concerning the existence of ghosts.

BOARD OF EDUCATION GETS THE A. C. BAXTER PROPERTY

A formal transfer of the old A. C. Baxter home on South McDonel street, to the board of education, was made yesterday. The property was purchased from William E. Bayly for a consideration of \$2,800. A 16-room grade building will be constructed on the site.

A want ad placed in The Times-Democrat will bring immediate results.

## ADA TEAM WINS A VICTORY

Defeats Columbus Grove in a Fast Game Friday Evening.

Boys and girls from Ada high school were in Lima early this morning, en route from Columbus Grove, where last night they played a boys' and girls' team from the Columbus Grove high school in games of basketball. They took an early train this forenoon for Ada.

Ada girls carried home the victory in the meet with Columbus Grove boys won from Ada in their game. While in the city and coming up on the morning car they made the air ring with their school yell.

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## AUTO-CLUB HERE GETS INVITATIONS TO SHOW

Local auto enthusiasts are in receipt of invitations to the big Cleveland Automobile club's show. It will be the sixteenth annual affair of its kind, and will be held on December 30 to January 6. Fred C. Caley is secretary of the Cleveland club, and is sending out the invitations.

## APPLY FOR YOUR TAG NOW

Auto Owners Are Not Going to be Kept Waiting This Time.

Clerk of the Courts Daniel Howsher has been notified by the state automobile department that auto license tags will be sent out next week, and that it is hoped this year will be the last for any applicants waiting for their tags.

"All any owner of an automobile has to do," says the letter from State Registrar Walker, "is to get his application into this office at once."

About 10,000 applications are on file for next year's tags. Nearly 256,000 tags were issued this year. It is expected that the average daily receipt of applications next week will exceed 5,000. Walker promised to find some way to take care of the applications no matter how fast they come in. This assurance from Walk-

er will eliminate the fear of many motorists whose applications have been in file at Columbus for several days, but who were apprehensive lest, failing to receive their tags by the

first of the year. Police chiefs, it is the new tags on New Year's Day, have announced their intention of in-advise you to write to The Times-Democrat for your results.

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Checks will be mailed about December 10th, 1917, for all accounts opened, whether payments are kept up or not.

## VACATION CLUB—Here Is Something New

In addition to our Christmas Savings Club, we have put on a "VACATION CLUB," which is now open for membership.

MEMBERSHIP IN OUR "VACATION CLUB" RUNS 25 WEEKS OR LONGER, AND CAN BE CLOSED AT SUCH A TIME AS YOU DESIGNATE WHEN YOU BECOME A MEMBER.

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GOOD EVENING—it looks as though we are going to have to put up with an eggless nog this Christmas.

Raising phone rates seems only to have occasioned more talk.

Late shopping appears not to be so fashionable this year as it was in years gone by.

When a man looks over his coal bill these days he is certainly facing a serious charge.

There seems to be a few left who imagine that doing their shopping early means early this evening.

If they ever want to vote the nation dry New Year's day would be the best time to hold the election.

Christmas comes but once a year and we never heard any sane man arguing that that isn't often enough.

Most any Lima man's idea of luck at the present time would be to marry a munition maker's daughter.

By actual count the leap year girl has just ten more days in which to procure for herself a life-sentence.

A few more peace notes and there'll be a lot of fellows on Wall street seeking divorces from their "war-brides".

The wise Lima woman doesn't "go it whole hog or none", and as a result she has a little saved for the January clearance sales.

The Chicago News declares that Santa Claus is a clump for not holding his gifts on the pretense that there is a shortage of reindeer.

The fact that Boston has a bean shortage is apt to take all the happiness out of the Yuletide season in that alleged hub of the universe.

Practically all of us enjoy the fact that Christmas comes on Monday for the reason that practically all of us hate to go to work on Monday anyhow.

Those ten Chicago sleuths who have started out to round up Kentucky moonshiners have certainly chosen an exciting way of spending the holidays.

The more fact that the force in the business office, the entire editorial staff, every man in the composing room and all of the pressmen are more or less afflicted with heart trouble probably accounts for the failure of the considerate manager of this old purveyor of real news to announce a fifty-per-cent increase in salaries as a New Year present.

## THE PASSING WEEK

That the spirit of Christmas pervades the world and makes itself felt even where the hand of the war God lays heavy, has been demonstrated during the week just closing in proposals of peace in Europe.

What may have been back of Germany's proposition, if it was not sincere, remains unathomed. If it was sincere then to Germany is due much credit for having been the first to see the utter hellishness of the slaughter that has been going on for two and one-half years. England's rejection of all peace propositions at this time, and the declaration of Lloyd George that "England does not intend to put her head into a noose the lines of which are in Germany's hands", fully explains her position and seems to have met with the hearty approval of both France and Russia. And that fact precludes any possibility of peace within the near future.

Insofar as our own part in the peace proposals may be concerned, President Wilson, again the same wise ruler that stands without a peer in the world today, makes our position clear when he says: "The president is not proposing peace; he is not even offering mediation. He is merely proposing that soundings be taken in order that we may learn, the neutral nations with the belligerent, how near the haven of peace may be for which all mankind longs with an intense and increasing longing. He believes that the spirit in which he speaks and the objects which he seeks will be understood by all concerned, and he confidently hopes for a response which will bring a new light into the affairs of the world."

The week in our own country has been marked by that same joyous spirit which pervades it, even to every nook and corner, each year at this time. Large industrial plants throughout the country have been

## THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN

Continued.

FOR YOUR  
SCRAP BOOK

words are to the heart.

Lambs oft rush into Wall Street where old sheep fear to tread.

Fortunately there is seldom any need of brain in a love affair.

Oh, Liberty, what a lot of divorces are applied for in thy name!

Never kick a dog to which you have not been properly introduced.

A dog's bark may be worse than his bite, but give us the bark, please, just the same.

It's a fortunate thing for some men that their ancestors left them a honored name.

The man who considers himself a braggart never boasts of being a common clay specimen.

It sometimes happens that the woman who is disappointed in love isn't disappointed in marriage.

A man must be in business with another man or married to a woman in order to discover that he doesn't know them.

When a man is found guilty of love in the first degree he should not kick if he and his accomplice are given a life sentence.

## Christmas Gifts

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Your citizen of Yezd is indeed a man of enterprise and energy, to a degree that shames most of his countrymen. He is of no narrow and provincial type; he is a far wanderer and voyager, a trader whose caravans tap the markets of Afghanistan and India, even of China, in spite of the hazards of robbery and the lack of any but the most primitive trade routes. You will find plenty of men in Yezd who have traveled more on their little-known half of the globe than many an Occidental cosmopolitan. Laden with opium and tobacco, with rare woods, rugs and copper pots, their caravans fare eastward.

to return if Allah be kind, with no mean wealth, with tin and tea, with arms and jewels and the wares of the Celestial kingdom.

Men who speak two or three European languages are not uncommonly found in Yezd, and the schools are among the best in the Orient. The children are said to be unusually quick to grasp new thoughts and new languages. Many an English or German teacher has been astounded at the mentality displayed by little chaps of eight and nine, forgetting that your Oriental is a man at fifteen, and that his mind is set and fixed at an age when the Westerner's is just beginning to find its grasp of things. For all that, the people and the city of Yezd make one of the best impressions in the near east for intelligence and energy.

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The old Christmas story of the birth of the Saviour of the World in a humble manger in Bethlehem of Judea will be told in song, and will be listened to by hundreds of people, who will fill the city churches.

The spirit of Christmas is abroad in the land and nowhere will the cheery messages be heralded with more love and unselfishness than in these Christmas services.

Many of the church worshippers will take articles of food and clothing, wrapped in snowy, white paper and present these at the foot of the cross. They will be distributed on Christmas morning to those in less fortunate circumstances, to carry the message of Christmas love in a practical way to those who, it may be, would realize no other Christmas joys. Hundreds of families will be remembered in the glad story of "Peace on earth, good will unto all men."

The Christmas celebration at the First Congregational church will be held Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The following program will be observed:

"Silent Night, Holiest Night"—The choir.

"Away in a Manger"—Beginners' class.

"Santa Claus Song"—Primary class.

Hymn, No. 60 — Congregation standing.

A Christmas story—Rev. Chester S. Bucher, "The Gift of the Magi," by O. Henry.

"Lullaby"—Howard Shepard.

"There's a Song in the Air"—The Glad class, Loyal Workers.

(1)—The Shepherds; (2) The Magi; (3) Rock of Ages—Tableaux.

Anthem—"Hail Thou Long Expected Jesus."

Presentation of white gifts at food of the cross by (1) Beginners; (2) Primary; (3) Loyal Workers; (4) Junior boys; (5) Glad class; (6) Crusaders; (7) Seniors; (8) Young Women's class; (9) Friendly Women's class; (10) Men's class, and the members of the congregation.

Christmas Treat for the Pupils—Santa Claus.

Intermission.

Two Reels—Educational motion pictures.

On Christmas morning at 5:30 o'clock, St. Paul's Lutheran church will hold a Christmas Matin service. The service will be a musical treat, the ancient plain song, the oldest form of church music, to be used. Special music by the choir, with Gilbert Dilding and Miss Grace Fisher as soloists and Miss Bonnie Linn as organist, will be rendered. The program is as follows:

Organ Prelude.

Hymn—"Joy to the World".

The Versicles.

Invitatory and Venite.

Hymn—"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing".

Psalm 85.

The Lessons.

Anthem—"Jesus Came, the Heavens Adoring" (W. G. Shepherd), Choir.

Sermon—"The Christmas Story", "The Deum in F" (A. M. Shuey), Choir.

The Prayer.

Benedicamus.

Hymn—"Come Hither, Ye Faithful, Triumphant Sing".

Benediction.

Organ Postlude.

The Christmas Festival service in St. Paul's Lutheran church will be held Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The Sunday school will render the following program:

Processional—"Hark! What Mean Those Holy Voices".

Opening Versicles.

Psalm and Gloria Patri.

Carol—"The New-born King, Who Comes Today".

Responsive Reading—"The Promise Kept".

Carol—"Luther's Christmas Hymn", by Primary school.

Special Exercises—Primary grades.

Responsive Reading—"God's Gift to the World, and Our Gift to Him".

Special Exercises—Intermediate grades.

Carol—"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear".

Responsive Reading—"The Joy of Christmas".

Carol—"Beside a Manger Lowly".

Special Exercises.

Carol—"Little Children, Can You Tell", by Primary grades.

Brief Address—Pastor.

Anthem—Choir.

Carol—"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne".

Closing Versicles.

Recessional—"Jesus Christ, Our Saviour".

A vesper service will be given by the choir of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Branson Harley Holmes, at Market Street Presbyterian church, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. The following is the program:

Call to Worship ..... Traditional Carol ..... Traditional

The Annunciation ..... Woodman

Calm on the Listening Earth ..... Gilchrist

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear ..... Gilchrist

Star of the Orient ..... Shelley

Cradle Song of the Virgin ..... Violin

Obligato ..... Bulk

Arise, Shine ..... McDermid

O, Lamb of God ..... Brewster

Sing, O Sing ..... Shelley

Vesper service program will be

given at 4 o'clock at the First Congregational church. Following is the program:

"Twilight" (Fryssinger) — Organ Prelude by Raymond S. Oliver.

"Under the Stars"—Children's Chorus.

"Away in a Manger"—Children's Chorus.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. R. D. Kahle.

Sacred Reading—Rev. Chester S. Bucher. The Text of Handel's Messiah.

Baritone Solo—Donald Johns.

Duet—Miss Yeakam and Mrs. Mowen.

"March" on the theme of Handel (Guilmant)—Organ Solo by Raymond S. Oliver.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. C. E. Lynch.

"The Traveling Man"—Lady Gregory. Dramatic Reading by Miss Gertrude Brice.

Baritone Solo—Joel Repaz.

"Triumphant March" (Dudley Buck)—Organ Postlude by Raymond S. Oliver.

Silver offering received at the door.

Handel's masterpiece, "The Messiah", will be given at Trinity M. E. church at 7 o'clock, Sunday evening. The chorus will be augmented and will be accompanied by an orchestra of fourteen pieces, organ and piano. The soloists will be Mary Winnifred Shaw, soprano; Mrs. Chas. A. Black, contralto; Roland B. Mikeless, tenor, and Alfred Shumate, basso.

The public is cordially invited.

Grace Methodist Sunday school will give a delightful Christmas entertainment on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. All scholars and members of the church are expected to bring their gifts, wrapped in white paper. The program is as follows:

Processional.

Hymn—No. 107—"Joy to the World".

Invocation—Pastor.

Address—"The Gift of Gifts". Rev. Dunham.

Presentation of Our Gifts—Beginners, Primary, Junior, Intermediate, Adult, Home Departments.

Song—"Dolls' Lullaby", First grade primary.

Exercise—Primary boys.

Song—"Dear Little Stranger", Third grade primary.

Pantomime—Junior girls.

Song—"Waking Out of Silence", Juniors.

Song—"Peaceful Night", First and Second grade Juniors.

Offering—Intermediate department.

Pantomime—"Ho! Ho! Night".

Song—No. 2, "Come Thou Almighty King".

Benediction.

UNITED BRETHREN.

First U. B.

Spring and Union streets; O. E. Knapp, pastor; residence, 330 South Pine street. Sunday school Christmas program, 9 to 11 a. m. The service of the White Christmas will be rendered by the school. At 4 o'clock the choir will give the

Christmas cantata, "Savior and King" by Porter. Silver offering. Christmas Christian Endeavor service following the cantata at 5:30. No other services Sunday.

High Street U. B.

High and Cole streets. G. W. Lly, pastor; 956 West High street. Bible school at 9:15; B. C. Fryssinger, superintendent. At the close of the lesson study period, the pastor will read a delightful story, "A Christmas Gift", by Elizabeth F. Gupfill. When the reading is finished, the smaller scholars will be given their treat. There will be no Junior service Sunday afternoon. Evening program given by the Sunday school will begin at 6:45 p. m. No Christian Endeavor service.

BAPTIST.

South Lima Baptist.

Pine and Kirby streets. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m.; J. C. Gallant, superintendent. Preaching at 10:30 a. m.; subject, "The Wonderful Christ". B. Y. P. U. at 6:00 p. m. Christmas service at 7:30 p. m. Program by the Sunday school. Bring your gifts to be distributed to the poor through the Sunday school to the church Sunday night. H. F. Dudley, pastor.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

South Side Church of Christ.

Kirby and Central. Cecil Franklin, pastor. W. E. Parlette, Sunday school superintendent. 8:30 a. m., prayer service. 9:00 a. m., Sunday school. 10:30 a. m., communion and preaching. 2:30 p. m., Junior C. E. 6:00 p. m., Intermediate and Senior C. E. 7:00 p. m., evening service.

Responsive Reading—"God's Gift to the World, and Our Gift to Him".

Special Exercises—Intermediate grades.

Carol—"It Came Upon a Midnight Clear".

Responsive Reading—"The Joy of Christmas".

Carol—"Beside a Manger Lowly".

Special Exercises.

Carol—"Little Children, Can You Tell", by Primary grades.

Brief Address—Pastor.

Anthem—Choir.

Carol—"Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne".

Closing Versicles.

Recessional—"Jesus Christ, Our Saviour".

A vesper service will be given by the choir of the Presbyterian church, assisted by Branson Harley Holmes, at Market Street Presbyterian church, at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. The following is the program:

Call to Worship ..... Traditional Carol ..... Traditional

The Annunciation ..... Woodman

Calm on the Listening Earth ..... Gilchrist

It Came Upon the Midnight Clear ..... Gilchrist

Star of the Orient ..... Shelley

Cradle Song of the Virgin ..... Violin

Obligato ..... Bulk

Arise, Shine ..... McDermid

O, Lamb of God ..... Brewster

Sing, O Sing ..... Shelley

Vesper service program will be

given at 4 o'clock at the First Congregational church. Following is the program:

"Twilight" (Fryssinger) — Organ Prelude by Raymond S. Oliver.

"Under the Stars"—Children's Chorus.

"Away in a Manger"—Children's Chorus.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. R. D. Kahle.

Sacred Reading—Rev. Chester S. Bucher. The Text of Handel's Messiah.

Baritone Solo—Donald Johns.

Duet—Miss Yeakam and Mrs. Mowen.

"March" on the theme of Handel (Guilmant)—Organ Solo by Raymond S. Oliver.

Contralto Solo—Mrs. C. E. Lynch.

"The Traveling Man"—Lady Gregory.

Dramatic Reading by Miss Gertrude Brice.

Baritone Solo—Joel Repaz.

"Triumphant March" (Dudley Buck)—Organ Postlude by Raymond S. Oliver.

Silver offering received at the door.

Central Church of Christ. At 525 West North street; A. B. House, pastor. Bible school at 9:15 a. m.; Rev. C. Breitinger, superintendent. Lesson study period will be used by the classes in making the annual Christmas gifts for the King, to be distributed in His name unto the needy of the city. Christmas message, 10:10 a. m.; subject, "The Carol of the Angels". Christmas music by the choir. Intermediate and Senior Christian Endeavor societies meet at 6 p. m. at 7 p. m. Christmas entertainment in two parts. Part one, "Bethlehem Christmas Pageant"; Part two, "Christmas Carols. First part by the Bible school; second by the chorus choir of the church.

CATHOLIC.

St. Gerard's Parish.

Rev. John G. Behr, C. ES. R., superior. Rev. Martin T. Mulligan, C. SS. R., assistant. Rev. John Grelle, C. SS. R., and Rev. Henry Sippel, C. SS. R., missionaries. Sunday services: Masses 7, 9 and 10:30 a. m. Baptisms, 3 p. m. Week-day masses: 6 a. m. and 7 a. m. Holy days of obligation: 5 a. m. and 7 a. m. Confessions: Saturdays, 3:30 p. m. to 6 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. St. John's.

Rev. John Mizer, pastor. Rev. Joseph Alten, assistant. Sunday services: Masses, 5, 7, 8, 8:30 and 10 a. m. Baptism, 1 p. m. Instructions, 2 p. m. Benediction, 3 p. m. Week-day masses: holy days, 5:15, 8 and 8 p. m.; Week-days, 6:30 and 8 a. m.

Church of St. Rose.

Rev. A. E. Manning, V. F. rector.

Alphonius Roach, assistant. Masses: Daily, 6:30 and 8 a. m. on school days; other days 6:30 and 7:30. Sundays: Low mass, 7 and 9 a. m. High mass, 10:30 a. m. Holy days of obligation: 5 and 9 a. m. Benediction after mass. Catechism, 2 p. m. Vespers and benediction, 3 p. m. Baptism after benediction. Confession, Saturdays, 3 to 6 and 7:30 p. m. Thursday before first Fridays, same hours. Eves of Holy days, after 7:30 p. m., and every morning, except Sunday, from 6 to 7:30.

CONGREGATIONAL.

First Congregational.

No. 113 South Elizabeth street; Rev. Chester S. Bucher, minister. Graded Sunday school in separate class rooms, 9:15 a. m. Morning worship and sermon by the pastor, "No Room at the Inn", 10:30 a. m. Christmas vespers service and musicale, with reading by Miss Gertrude Brice, solos, by the best talent, and pipe organ numbers by Raymond S. Oliver. 4 p. m. Silver offering received at the door. Christmas celebration by the Sunday school, 7 p. m. Bring white gifts for the King, to be distributed to the poor. Also two reels of motion pictures.

EPISCOPAL.

Christ Church.

North and West streets; Arthur M. Griffin, rector. Services for the fourth Sunday in Advent: Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon, 10:30 a. m. Christmas day services: Holy Communion, 7:30 a. m.;

# Today In Lima Society

PERSONAL CHAT AND CLUB GOSSIP

MARIE N. NAGEL, Editor

Thus out of the East, that first Christmas, bearing gifts, rode the Wise Men. Let us, too, bear gifts, but let us be wise! Perhaps the first step toward wisdom will be to fill ourselves with the Spirit of Christmas, the deep purpose of service and good-will and peace.

Margaret Deland.

With the coming of Christmas comes the week that marks the beginning and the end, or rather, the end and the beginning—of the year. But it marks neither the beginning or the end of the season for Millady Society. It marks the climax, perhaps, of the winter season, but that is all. A climax it will be in Lima society for the week is filled to every minute with pleasures for those who don't. Many bridge affairs are not yet announced but are being planned for, and many dances, which is really the most acceptable in the favor of the modern ones, have been announced and gay young persons are making preparations for them. Wayfarers will give the first dance, at their club rooms, Monday evening, the Tri Kappas will follow with another at the Elks' Home Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Cleminger Thompson will entertain Wednesday evening at the Elks, and Thursday evening, Miss Helen Wenne, will be hostess at the Elks. Friday the Annual Charity Ball will be held at Memorial hall, and Elks will hold their cabaret in celebration of New Years Friday evening. On Christmas day and New Year's day the Lima club will hold a tea dance from 2:30 until 6:00 o'clock for its members. Masons will entertain with their annual Christmas ball at their temple, Thursday evening, December 28. Friday evening, the Elks of Friday will open their new home and will celebrate with a dance. Many Lima people are planning to attend this affair for which elaborate plans are being made. It is a false impression that the society devotee tells not, or spins. Consider the above program, and also that it is very incomplete, and change your opinion.

Miss Pauline Bowman arrived in Lima Thursday to spend the Christmas recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bowman, of North Jameson avenue. Miss Bowman is a student at Miami university, Oxford, Ohio.

Mrs. Bess Longsworth entertained last evening with cards at her home in the Thomas apartments. Christmas decorations were effectively used in the rooms, and a Christmas basket held gifts for each of the guests. Little Miss Imogene Prettyman gave flower favors before the games began, and at the conclusion, a delicious two-course lunch was served. Guests for the evening included Mrs. Mack Cott, Mrs. Frank Moke, Mrs. E. N. Zellitz, Mrs. A. B. Gray, Mrs. A. A. Schiwe, Mrs. Glenn Webb, Mrs. Edna Miller, Mrs. Lester Pratt, Mrs. Sadie Kinsley, Miss Minerva Musselman, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell and Mrs. M. M. Keltner.

The Masonic club will hold their holiday season dance at the Masonic parlor on Thursday evening, December 28th. Refreshments will be served and a five-piece orchestra will furnish music and entertainment. The dance will extend to a later hour than usual. All Masons and their friends or invitation are cordially invited.

Mrs. F. M. Iske of 1132 Richie avenue, will extend the hospitality of her home for the meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of Calvary Reformed church on Wednesday afternoon. The hour of meeting is set for two o'clock.

Members of the Amity club were entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. R. E. Bacme. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas decorations, and the main feature of the afternoon, which was spent with music and needlework, was a Christmas exchange of gifts among the members. Mrs. Thomas won the prize of the contests. Mrs. C. C. Kennedy was the only guest of the club, which adjourned after a delicious tea served by the hostess at 5 o'clock.

George MacDonell who is a student at Harvard university, Cambridge, Mass., and James MacDonell, of Tulsa, Okla., will spend the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. MacDonell, of West North street.

Wimodausis circle members were entertained yesterday afternoon by Mrs. John Clizbe, at her home on West Elm street, assisted by Mrs. A. S. Bower. The afternoon was spent with games and music, and at the conclusion of the afternoon gifts were exchanged among the members. Holly and a Christmas tree were used for the decoration of the house. Mrs. L. W. Bower was the only guest of the club. A delicious two-course lunch was served by Mrs. Clizbe and Mrs. Bower at the conclusion of the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Curtis will have as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hilt, of Lorain, and Ralph Wheeler, of Toledo.

Mark Fuller will leave next Tuesday on a Christmas tour of the Ohio State university glee club of which he is a member. Glenn Fuller is a guest of the Rev. and Mrs. Fuller.

The home of the Rev. Ernest Anton Trabert and Mrs. Trabert, of

## Daily Fashion Hint



By LAURENCE FEE

Lovely blouse fashioned in tan Georgette crepe with sailor collar, pointed cuffs and insert medallions of navy blue taffeta. Bonnez embroidery in navy blue outlines the medallions, the collar and cuffs affording as mart contrast.

Like many of the waists this season, it is fashioned so that it will harmonize with a suit, thus making it part of a three-piece costume.

548 West Spring street, will be the scene of a social meeting, to be held by the Boys' League of St. Paul's Lutheran church on Wednesday evening.

Ernest Shilling, pianist, who will appear here in recital at Memorial hall, Tuesday evening, January 2, will give the following program: Fantasy ..... Schumann Variations and Fugue ..... Paderewski Nocturne E flat ..... Etudes, A flat ..... F major ..... Valse, A flat ..... Chopin Pasacaglia (Toccatina) ..... Blauchet Vers l' Azur ..... Stojowski Danza Catalana ..... Danza Valenciana ..... Spanish Military March ..... Granados Hark, Hark, the Lark Schubert-Liszt Rhapsody, No. 6 ..... Liszt

Children of the Day Nursery were entertained today with a Christmas dinner, and a real Christmas tree and presents this afternoon at the Day Nursery on West High street. The rooms were gaily decorated with Christmas suggestions carried out with streamers and holly. Mrs. E. R. Mitchell gave the dinner for the children, and gifts were donated by Mrs. Mitten's class of the Central Church of Christ, Mrs. Phillips class of the Old First Presbyterian church, Mrs. Jeanie Thompson's class, Miss Jessie Chenowith's class, Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchell, Mrs. G. E. Brem, Miss Martha Gable, the Martha Washington club, the Bantie Club, the Elks, Mr. William Young, Mrs. Samuel Wendorf, Mrs. N. E. Michael, Mrs. Frank Boone, Mrs. Mack Cott, Mrs. Harry Hiltner and Mrs. E. Williams.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Seward, Greendale, Ohio, are the guests of Mrs. T. L. Seward, of West High street.

Mrs. David Tidbury, of South Columbus street, entertained the Alpha club at her home Thursday afternoon. Christmas decorations were used throughout the rooms, and prize or a contest was won by Mrs. Lloyd Moll. Members exchanged gifts. Tea was served by the hostess at 5 o'clock. Guests other than the club members included Mrs. Earl Armstrong, Mrs. Henry Tilton, and Mrs. Lloyd Moll. Mrs. Holland West of Linden avenue, will entertain the club at its next meeting in two weeks.

Mrs. H. L. Courtney will entertain the members of the Alpha Gamma Delta club at her home Tuesday evening.

Miss Dolly O'Connor entertained the members of the Junior Library club at her home on West Wayne street this afternoon. A Christmas tree was the feature of the afternoon. An excellent program was given by the members of the club. The lesson for the day was in charge of Mrs. T. W. Hennessy who directs the club. The program was in charge of the officers of the club who are Clemintha Colucci, president; Vera Smith, vice president; Dorothy McCray, secretary; Eleanor Holmes, librarian; Mary Wendorf, assistant librarian. A delicious lunch was served by Miss Margaret O'Connor, assisted by Miss Minnie O'Connor.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Frey will have as their guests over Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Leatherman of Toledo.

Holmes Mackenzie who has been at Mt. Clemens for the past two weeks will return to Lima this evening.

several days with friends in this city.

Wm. C. B. Marshall of Buckland was the guest of friends in Lima yesterday.

Mrs. F. L. Rutherford has returned from Wapakoneta, after a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Comer.

Mrs. Charles Clegg and daughter, Marjorie, were guests of friends in this city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gleaves and family of Barnesville, Ohio, will arrive Sunday to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Gleaves of West Grand avenue.

Mrs. W. L. Koch, of 941 West Wayne street, will open her home on Thursday evening for a Christmas social, to be held by the Lutheran League of St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Whaley, of Arcanum, Ohio, arrived this afternoon to spend Christmas with Mr. J. K. Brie and family, of West Market street.

Paul Timmerman, who is a student at Cornell University, arrived Thursday to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Mullen, of the Steiner Apartments, will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mullen, of Columbus Grove.

Harry Strassburg, of Detroit, will spend Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Strassburg, of West Elm street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Danner and daughter, Martha, left today to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, of Hillsdale, Mich.

Members and friends of the Epworth Methodist church are invited to reception to be given Wednesday evening in the church parlors for the Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Holland.

Miss Pauleene Hoover entertained the members of the N. B. B. O. O. club at her home on West Market street last evening. The house was beautifully decorated with Christmas colors, carried out with holly, ribbons, and mistletoe. A Christmas box was the feature of the evening, and was followed by cards and music. A delicious supper was served in the dining room, the table of which was decorated with a miniature Christmas tree. Guests other than the club members included Misses Hazel Boop, Frances Beattie and Helen Kling.

Mrs. Gustav Graf and Mrs. Edward May of Wapakoneta, were the guests yesterday of friends in this city.

Rodney Clark who is a student at

Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, from a brief visit with her parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Elmer Bachelder, of Orrville, Ill., to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClure, of South Metal street.

Mrs. Anna Beutelspacher has returned from Celina, where she was the guest of her mother, Mrs. E. E. Corder.

Mrs. J. B. Brubaker was the guest of her father at Napoleon several days this week.

Mrs. A. H. Benedict, of St. Marys, is the guest of her mother in this city.

Students who have returned from St. Marys College, Dayton, to spend the Christmas vacation with their parents, are Joseph Leonard, Raymond Gorman and John Killoran.

# G. E. BLUEM

## Christmas Greetings to One and All

That you may have a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year expresses our season's greetings.

You have helped to make this a year of remarkable success for us, and we thank you. We trust the year has also been a prosperous one for you.

# G. E. BLUEM

## HARMAN'S

New Harman Building

To All We Extend

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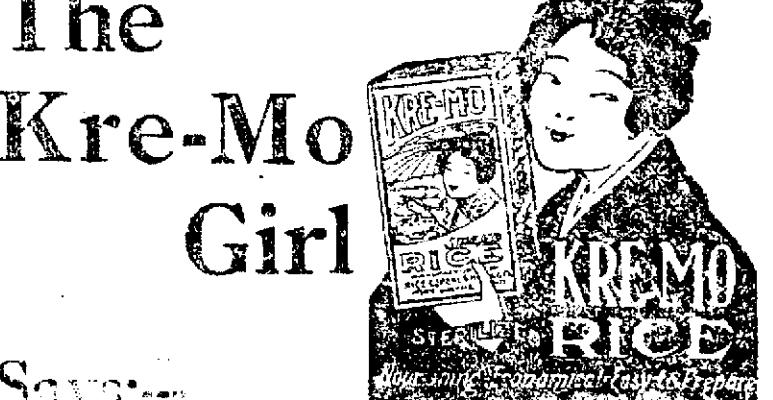
## A MERRY CHRISTMAS

and

## A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

# HARMAN'S

New Harman Building



Says:

If you only knew the real appetizing Food Goodness in

KRE-MO STERILIZED RICE

your first breakfast thought would be the Food with "that Smooth Creamy Flavor."

Your Grocer has KRE-MO



I wish to thank my patrons for their liberal patronage in my first year business

WISHING YOU A

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



## INFLUENCE OF THE ORIENT IN DRESS

China, Japan, Spain and Russia Furnish Ideas for Dame Fashion's Devotees

Society is Slow to Take Up the Distinctive Apparel of the Far Eastern Lands.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Cosmopolitan New York grows more cosmopolitan daily. Even as her doors are open to those from the most distant parts of the world so are the minds of her fashion designers open to receive ideas from the four corners of the earth. Whatever may be turned to good account is quickly utilized and brought before the public for the world of fashionable women to pass on.

The very latest influence in dress has come from the far east. Japanese and Chinese embroideries and like effects have come in for recognition and have taken quite an important position in the world of fashion.



Distinctly Oriental in Effect.

ever so daintily and edged with lace for further decoration.

Lingerie was never so irresistible as it is now. Of sheerest Georgette crepe and silk voile in delicate colors are garments of every type. Fine embroidered underwear, of course, is always correct. Wash satin and crepe de chine are more favored than ever for lingerie materials.

LINCOLN COURT, No. 23, T. B. H.

Regular meeting Wednesday evening, December 27. Nomination and election of officers. A good attendance is desired. Sara Glensler, secretary.

## HERE'S THE WHOLE STORY

Desire of One Man For Promotion Caused "Round Robin" Talk.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 23.—To many officers of the Ohio National Guard the outbursts on the part of a minority of the Eighth regiment have been a cause of keen regret.

It is recalled it was the influence of the Ohio guard, exerted at Washington and led by former Adjutant General A. B. Critchfield, which practically killed the proposed volunteer army that was planned originally and brought about the plan for the Federated National Guard as the second line of defense.

Much of the complaint comes from the Eighth regiment, which, up to this time, was heralded as the banner organization. The secret of this matter is said to be a promotion that did not come about. One officer wished to become captain and sought to have the captain in line of promotion ahead of him put in a major's position. He failed, and ever since has been a source of discontent. These mutterings began when the troops were at Camp Willis and now have reached official attention.

## HOME FOLKS GETTING READY

Dayton People Will Go Over to See Fellow-Citizen Sworn in.

DAYTON, O., Dec. 23.—Arrangements were begun Friday to recruit a big delegation of Dayton people for the inauguration of Governor Cox, Monday, January 8.

The Gem City Democratic club and possibly the Eagles will have a party of their own, 600 probably taking part. In addition to the Democratic club party, however, it is desired to take a train load of other Daytonians and this party is to be designated "Dayton homefolks." Arrangements are in the hands of a committee of the Greater Dayton association, of which Major G. W. Shroyer is chairman. Secretary Guild of the G. D. A. and T. F. Kelly at a meeting of the committee at noon Friday at the Dayton club, were named a sub-committee to obtain railroad rates and make other necessary arrangements such as band, banner, etc. It is hoped between 300 and 400 citizens will take part.

## OWEN FRANCIS WILL READ

Historical Society Will Hold Monthly Meeting Next Wednesday

Owen Francis, civil war veteran, will give the paper at the monthly meeting of the Allen County Historical society, to be held on next Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock, in the rooms of the association in Memorial hall. Mr. Francis will have for his subject, "Casualties of Allen County Soldiers on the Battle-fields."

Being acquainted, as he is with the men who enlisted and served in the war of the rebellion from Allen county, he is well equipped to tell this story. Members of Mart Arm strong post and patriotic organizations of the city are extended a special invitation to hear the paper. The public is cordially invited.

Sometime.

At the time of his marriage a man thinks he is getting a better half later he may discover that he got a counterfoil.

No Higher Price for This.

While food and clothing have advanced in cost, it is well for the sick that the prices of such reliable family remedies as Foley Kidney Pills are not increased. Foley Kidney Pills cost little and relieve backache, pains in sides and loins, sore muscles, stiff joints, rheumatism, palsies and bladder trouble. H. T. Verkamp Co., Provo, Buffalo, N. Y.

## TODAY IN LIMA SOCIETY

Mrs. and Mrs. Guido Spencer and children, of Carey, Ohio, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cover, of North Baxter street.

Miss Imogene Ferguson, who is a student at the Lima Business college, left Monday for Napoleon, Ohio to spend the Christmas recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ferguson.

Mrs. J. E. Moran left yesterday for Cleveland, on account of the death of father, which occurred Friday morning.

## MRS. BURGOON IS UNABLE TO MAKE OUT HER CASE

The jury which yesterday began the trial of Mrs. Etta Burgoon against James C. Foley and Joyce L. Foley, his wife, returned a verdict of "no cause of action." Mr. Burgoon testified that when he went to the barber shop operated by Foley to secure her husband's return home with her, she was assaulted and fell upon the sidewalk, breaking an arm. The Foleys were unable to show Mrs. Burgoon created disturbance and that it was necessary to eject her from the building. Judge John P. Bailey of Ottawa, sat in the case.

## LOCAL ENSIGN GETS A NICE PROMOTION

James Thompson is Made Adjutant in the Salvation Army for Good Service.

Career Has Carried With it Long Years of Devotion to Work of the Army.

Ensign James Thompson, at the head of the Salvation Army here, received his Christmas present last evening in the shape of a promotion from Evangeline Booth, commander of the National Salvation Army.

Sixteen years ago Thompson entered the Salvation Army in his home city of Newark, N. J. He knew the work, he saw the greatness of it, he was pleased with the opportunity to be of service to his fellow men. For 16 years he has labored faithfully and well throughout New York and New Jersey. This is his second station in Ohio, having come to Lima from Mt. Vernon last August. He has brought the Salvation Army here up to a still higher standard than it has ever known, and he has made hundreds of warm, personal friends, among all classes of people. They will be pleased to learn of his promotion, which comes in the shape of the following letter:

"New York, Dec. 20.

"My Dear Ensign:  
It gives me more than usual pleasure to inform you that I have conferred upon you the rank of adjutant.  
"Your career has been before me personally and carries with it long years of devotion to your work and loyalty to the principles of the Army, and it becomes a source of satisfaction to me to be able to convey this information to you.

"I am sure that you will take this promotion as an evidence that your consecration to God and loyalty to the flag have been recognized and duly appreciated, and that you will let this fresh mark of your leader's appreciation and confidence be fully justified by increased zeal in the service to which God has called you.  
"Let this promotion to a more trusted rank lend encouragement to you in coming battles, and lead you to fresh consecration of all your powers to God and the kingdom, and may you more and more find pleasure in His service.

"You may rely upon my sympathy and prayers in all your conflicts and difficulties as well as cooperation in everything that tends toward the promotion of a good cause. The Army's welfare and extension of the kingdom of God. May the future add to your victories, blessings and usefulness.

"Yours depending upon you for the fight.  
"EVANGELINE BOOTH,  
"Commander."

A want ad in The Times-Democrat will bring immediate results.

## FOR HOW LONG?

Lima Raises a Pertinent Question.

When a neighbor tells us that he has recovered from a serious illness, the first question that naturally arises is, "How long will he keep well?" Temporary relief is one thing, but a lasting cure is altogether different. There is nothing temporary about the work of Doan's Kidney Pills as the following evidence proves beyond a doubt.

Mrs. W. L. Reed, 719 Jackson St., Lima, says: "I suffered a great deal from pain in my back. My attention was called to Doan's Kidney Pills and I started taking them. Before long, I was cured." (Statement given October 18, 1906.)

The Cure Lasted.

On November 5, 1911, Mrs. Reed said: "The endorsement I gave Doan's Pills before still holds good. The cure they made has been permanent."

Price 30¢ at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills the same that Mrs. Reed has twice publicly recommended. Foster-Wilburn Co., Provo, Buffalo, N. Y.

## STAMP SALES WILL MEET EXPECTATION

Now Appears Lima Will Have \$100 To Help Maintain the Visiting Nurse.

Public Urged to Place Little Stickers on Letters That Are Mailed Next Week.

"We are deeply gratified with the interest manifested by people in the city and those who came to Lima to stop and were approached to buy Red Cross Christmas seals." Miss Francis Maire, vice-president of the Lima Instructional Visiting Nurse Association, said this morning. Since the first of December the seals have been on sale in Lima and there has been a wonderful demand for them. They were sold by the nurse association.

In the lobby of the postoffice and in stores of the city, society women and girls have made a special effort to dispose of the little Christmas stickers. At a dozen or more places in the city the stamps could be purchased from employees of the place and people were asked to take their change in seals.

While at this time no accurate estimate can be gained, Miss Maire believes about \$100 will be realized in

the sale of the seals. This is providing all those people in the city who have been sent stamps to buy \$100 worth and return the money. Miss Maire asks that these seals be returned to her at once, at the offices of the association in the Opera House block. If 100,000 stamps are sold, then \$100 will go to the association, at 10¢ each or 10 per cent of all sales. Miss Maire asks that stamps be saved to all parcels and letters in use as this is considered quite a good idea in using the postage stamp.

Our Jitney G. T. and 5¢ DON'T MISS THIS. Cut out this 10¢, enclose with 5 cents to Foley & Co., 2335 State old Ave., Chicago, Ill., writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley Honey and Tar Compound for sore throats, sore eyes, Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. H. F. No stamp required.

## WOODMEN CIRCLE NOTICE

The team and officers of Cedar Grove No. 24, Woodmen Circle, are gratified to be present to dedicate their hall, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon at 1 P.M. and Thursday evening Margaret Gordon, Cork.

DON'T FORGET BOWLER'S BAKERY FOR YOUR XMAS WANTS. BOWLER'S FAMOUS ICE CREAMS AND ICES ON ORDER. FINE ASSORTMENT OF CAKES AND ROLLS. SPECIAL FOR XMAS. PHONE IN YOUR ORDER EARLY, THUS HELPING THEM WITH THE XMAS RUSH.

## READY FOR A GREAT CR. W.S.

Findlay Elks, Lodge No. 75, will say good-bye to their old home in the Jones' house next Wednesday. They will have open house and the Elks' orchestra will furnish the music. Refreshments will be served and it will be held, parties for all out of town or visiting Elks.

The gables to the old hall marks the beginning of the first day's observance of the three days' festivities characterizing the dedication of the magnificent new Elks' home.

The big crowd will be here Thursday, when at 2 o'clock in the afternoon a street parade of spectacular proportions will be given. The members of the local lodge will carry canes wrapped with the purple colors of the order and led by the Elks band. One hundred and fifty Elks will be here from Columbus. Bringing a band with them. The Cherry Pickers of Toledo, the famous drill team of Elks, will be here in full regalia, in addition to many other Elks from Toledo not belonging to the team.

Tiffin will send a big delegation with a band and Lima and Bowling Green will be strongly represented.

## THIS STORE

wishes to extend to its many customers and friends

Very Merry Xmas  
R. T. Gregg & Co.

Buy  
Furniture  
for  
Christmas

## Merry Christmas Day

*Eisinger's*  
115-117 W. Market St. . . . . Lima, Ohio

## THE INTER-CITY TEA COMPANY

Announces the Opening of its

## NEW STORE

Corner Spring and South Main Streets With a Full Line of

CHRISTMAS CANDIES  
TEAS, COFFEES, SPICES, COCOAS

Two Stores in Lima

Corner Spring and S. Main  
Ground Floor

24 1-2 Public Square  
Over Star Theatre

## SORROWING FRIENDS AT WHITLEY BURIAL

Large Concource Attends  
Funeral Held This After-  
noon at the Elks' Home

Every Detail Requested by  
the Dying Man Is Carried  
Out at the Final Services

Every request made by the late Floyd C. Whitley, Lima funeral director, was carried out in final services over the body, held this afternoon at the Elks' home, of which organization he was a member. In the Lutheran hospital in Fort Wayne on Wednesday evening, as the shades of night drew nigh and Whitley realized that life with him was fast closing, he perfected every arrangement for the final services.

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Scene in "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt" in which May Robson, as Mrs. Matt, is shown in her new attire. The picture was taken at the Keith Theatre, Friday Evening, December 23.

## OPEN HOUSE TO BE Y. M. C. A. FEATURE

No Formal Program But  
Everyone Is Invited to  
Pay Building a Visit.

Plans Being Made for Inter-  
esting Entertainment On  
Evening of January First.

The Y. M. C. A. building is taking on a holiday attire these days with the front of the building banked with Christmas trees and the interior decorated with holly. The decorating committee busied themselves last evening until nearly midnight and have not yet completed their task.

As Christmas is a home day, no program has been planned but the annual New Year's day open house, receiving special attention from the committee in charge and a program of unusual merit is being arranged.

Since the last New Year's day reception some very momentous things have occurred in the local Y. M. C. A. history. Seeing the beginning of the end of the regular regime, the present building has a vision of the new. Since January 1 last year a campaign for \$130,000 was successfully carried through and plans for the new building are now in the hands of the contractors.

Thousands of people in the city are interested in these plans. One of the features of the New Year's day program will be the stereopticon display of them. There will be many other interesting features in the program, which will be detailed later.

Constipation Makes You Dull. That druggy, listless, oppressed feeling generally results from constipation. The intestines are clogged and the blood becomes poisoned. Relieve this condition at once with Dr. King's New Life Pills, this gentle non-crushing laxative is quickly effective. A dose at bed-time will make you feel brighter in the morning. Get a bottle today at your Druggist, 25c.

Four plumbers were granted licenses today by the board of health. Chase, F. G. Shidle and the Lima Chase, F. G. Shidle and the Lima Plumbing and Heating company. The four firms gave the necessary bond before receiving their papers.

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## WARREN M'LAUGHLIN NAMED

Local Attorney to be Assistant to the  
Attorney General.

Word comes from Columbus today that Attorney General-elect Joseph McGhee has announced the appointment of those who will assist him after he takes office on January 8, and among the number is Warren J. McLaughlin, well-known Lima attorney. The appointment comes not only as a deserved one, but one that is pleasing to the hundreds of friends of Mr. McLaughlin in this section. He is made special counsel, along with Byron Harlan of Dayton.

Other announcements of appointment by Mr. McGhee are: Charles Fellett of Cincinnati, who has been in the attorney general's office for the past six years, first assistant, at a salary of \$4,000. Stanley M. Call, of Portsmouth, second assistant at a salary of \$2,500. James M. Schaller of Newark, receives the appointment as chief clerk, at a salary of \$1,500.

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## RAILROADS RUSHED TO THE LIMIT NOW

One Train On Pennsy, 170 Miles  
Due Last Night Had Not  
Arrived at the Noon Hour.

Traction Lines Operating  
On Fair Schedule and  
Traffic Is Unusually Big.

Trains on railroads passing through the city were operated pretty close to schedule time today, although the congestion due to the heavy mail and express business still impedes close adherence to the fixed time of the arrival and departure of all trains.

The Pennsylvania broke the record established by Erie on the first day of the snow storm, when the mail train due in Lima westbound at 7:26 o'clock last night had failed to arrive up to 11 o'clock this morning. The passenger section of this train arrived a short time after it was due last night.

However, other trains on the Pennsylvania and also passengers on the Erie railroad were chalked up from 20 to 30 minutes behind schedule time. Both C. H. & D. and L. E. & W. trains were operated under the same conditions and all of the trains were reported somewhat late.

Both the Western Ohio and Ohio Electric railroad were swamped with business last night and today. The business was so far above the normal that officials of the road found it necessary to place extra cars in service today. They will be continued in service until after Christmas.

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## BANK EMPLOYERS GET A GIFT

Lima Trust Company Gives Each  
Man 10 Per Cent Increase.

Employees of the Lima Trust Company, about 100 in number, had their hearts gladdened this morning when announcement was made that the directors of the company had decided to give each man an increase of 10 per cent in salary. This increase comes in line with the rest of the year, and comes as a Christmas present that is not only a surprise but a happy event in the lives of the company's faithful employees.

The big institution has had the prosperity that is not natural, and following its custom of former years it desires to bestow that prosperity with those in its employ.

## DELPHOS STARTS PETITION

Seeks to Secure Election to Vote on  
the Commission Plan.

Thus people who are interested in the petition to change the term of government in Delphos started a petition Saturday for the signature of voters. The petition, which requests that an election be called by the city council at which the subject of the proposed change will be submitted to the people, will be presented to the council at its regular meeting next Tuesday evening.

It is necessary that the signatures of at least 1000 per cent of the voters of the city be attached to the petition when it is presented to the council. Those who are favoring the plan say they will have no difficulty in securing the required number. In fact, they say that they and the people of the city unanimously in favor of the idea.

New Auditorium

Opening Dance Xmas Day, 2:30  
and 8:30 p.m.

Regular Dances every Tuesday,  
Thursday and Saturday evening at  
8:30 p.m.

New High St. entrance, opposite  
post office. Fine large floor Aug-  
mented orchestra. 12-21-31

## AMUSEMENTS

### AT THE FAUROT

#### MOVIE PICTURES

Tuesday and Sunday—Pauline Frederick in "Nanette of the Wilds";

Bray Carton, "What Happened to Willie"; the Pathé News;

"Mutt and Jeff."

Tuesday and Wednesday—Robert Conness, Mabel Trunnell and an all-star cast in "The Martyrdom of Philip Strong"; Burton Holmes' "The Lower Nile"; the Pathé News; the "Katzengitter Kids."

Thursday and Saturday—Viola Dana in "The Gates of Eden"; Paramount Pictures.

#### MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

Monday Matinee and Night—"Mutt and Jeff's Wedding," Gus Hill's new musical comedy, built around Bud Fisher's cartoons.

Tuesday Night—May Robson, distinguished American actress, in her new comedy, "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt."

### AT THE ORPHEUM

Sunday—Great five-reel motion picture feature, "The Prince of Grancastor," with Bryant Washburn and Marguerite Clayton featured. Also vaudeville.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday—Special Christmas Day attraction: The musical comedy star, George Damerel (late star "Madame Sherry" and "The Heartbreakers") in the big Keith feature success, "Temptation." Three other vaudeville features.

Thursday, Friday, Saturday—Great special feature, "Dream in the Orient," a spectacular dancing act. Four other high class vaudeville acts.

#### THE FAUROT'S PICTURES

Paramount and Metro photoplays divide the week with straight and musical comedy at the Faurot. On account of the engagement of "Mutt and Jeff's Wedding" will represent the last word in musical comedy production, everything being new but the name. The American public never wanted to laugh more than they do at the present time. They seek comedy on the stage and in the moving pictures. Gus Hill's mission since his entry into the theatrical producing game has been to make people laugh. He is the acknowledged dean of cartoon comedy production, never having offered a play of this sort that did not prove a success. It is, therefore, distinctly evident that the enormous success of Mutt and Jeff's Wedding is due to the proper catering to the wishes and desires of the theater-going public. This season's show carries a sixty-foot carload of scenery, properties and costumes. A cast of 50 people and the inevitable chorus of pretty girls will be presented.

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### FAUROT—MAY ROBSON

A distinctly American comedy, redolent of the soil, entitled "The Making Over of Mrs. Matt," will be presented at the Faurot on Friday evening next with May Robson, that typical comedienne, in the title role. The comedy is said to be uncommonly bright, the characters real and vital, . . . the story one that will find a fox ease in the breasts of American women and thinking men. Yet while it tells a story in which love and sentiment predominate and laughter holds sway.

Miss Robson in the title role through her personality, her facial expressions and the magic of her voice, we are told, will triumph again in her portrayal of Mrs. Matt, even more strikingly than she did in her former success, "The Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary." A splendid production and a capable dramatic company are being brought along by Miss Robson, so that both the atmosphere and locale may be properly staged.

ORPHEUM

An unusual feature will be offered at the Orpheum theatre for the Christmas Day attraction, a big theatrical matinee. The matinee, the Darrow and Company in the big spectacular singing and dancing novelty "Temptation," with a company of ten people selected from the higher ranks of vaudeville. Mr. Darrow will be remembered as the theatre paragon as the star of "The Sherry" and whose last production in this city was at the same house as the star of the Keith's "Madame Sherry."

This exceptional vaudeville feature comes directly from the Keith theatre Dayton, Ohio, to the week's engagement, and is probably one of the highest price vaudeville ever offered to theatre patrons in this city. Mr. Darrow has been the head of his own company, and quitte musical comedy for vaudeville, and has been in all the larger Keith theatres throughout the country. In addition to this wonderful feature, there will be three other big vaudeville features offered on this grand holiday program. Howard Hill and Company in the dramatic sensation "Thectors," with a company of talented players who will in the dramatic lines and situations keep the audience in intense suspense, and thoroughly interested. The Pantes in a novelty vaudeville offering, and George Farrell and Farman in a singing and talking act completes one of the best vaudeville programs on the screen. An ideal vaudeville program for the Christmas entertainment.

Reserve seat sale for Christmas afternoon and night on sale at Orpheum box office Christmas morning at 10 o'clock. Sunday afternoon and night, one day only, the great motion picture feature "The Prince of Grancastor," taken from George Barr McCutcheon's novel, featuring the well known film stars Bryant Washburn and Marguerite Clayton with a company of associate players. It is a picture for everybody, for old and young alike. A picture everyone will feel happy in seeing. One performance Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Continuous Sunday night from 7 o'clock. Special vaudeville numbers will be introduced between the regular features making an ideal Sunday entertainment.



## OUR THANKS

to you who have made  
our Christmas a joyous  
one.

## NEUMAN & KETTLER

WISHING OUR MANY FRIENDS

AND PATRONS A

Merry Christmas

— AND —

Prosperous

New Year

B. S. Porter & Son

## This Label Means Equal Wages for Women

Issued by Authority of the cigar Makers International Union of America  
Union-made Cigars.



2 ECCENTRIC TYPES HAVE BEEN CREATED BY MAY ROBSON DURING HER CAREER AS COMEDIENNE

## STAGE IS SET FOR GREAT CELEBRATION

Hearts of State and County  
Wards Are to Feel Spirit of Christmas Festivities.

Gifts and Good Dinners Are  
Being Prepared at All Local Institutions Monday.

A special dinner will be served at the Children's Home, and the children will be entertained by the school band, and the band will be distributed among the various institutions.

At the Ohio State Hospital the

One Hundred Happy.  
There are just 25 residents in the  
Almshouse number, and these  
aged folk have twelve children  
and the wives of the girls  
and the wives of the boys. Superintend-  
ent and Mrs. Scott have prepared  
a special dinner for every one of them,  
and the dining room will be distin-  
guished by the various institutions  
and the various bands.

At the Library will be a special  
dinner, and the library will  
be open during the day.

At the Hospital the

and the Hospital

# Church Leaguers To Play Tonight

Changes Will Come About In Standing  
After This Evening Contests; First  
Game To Start at 7:30 o'clock

## CHURCH LEAGUE STANDING

| Team            | W | L | Pct.  |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| German Reformed | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Grace M. E.     | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Market Street   | 2 | 0 | 1.000 |
| Central         | 0 | 2 | .000  |
| First Christian | 0 | 2 | .000  |
| South Side      | 6 | 2 | .000  |

## TONIGHT'S GAMES

Central vs. South Side.  
First Christian vs. German Reformed  
Market Street vs. Grace M. E.

If tonight's scheduled games in the church league are carried out, there are bound to be some changes made in the race for the cup. Either Central or South Side are sure of pulling out of the cellar position, with one or the other still lurking in the dungeon. Should the first

Christians succeed in downing the Germans, the latter five would be credited with their first defeat in the league standing.

Two of the first place teams will oppose each other in the final game in the evening. Followers of the game look forth for one of the most interesting contests of the church league season, when these two teams hook up. Last year the Market Street aggregation pulled down the banner, with the Grace side a close second, and is the probable cause for the interest being shown in this game. This year's Market Street aggregation is practically a re-constructed team, with only two or three of last year's men among the squad.

The first game tonight is scheduled to start at 7:30.

# All Ohio's Here On Xmas Day

College Stars To Appear On Visitors  
Lineup For Holiday Games; Powers  
And Buscher In Local Lineup

## Particulars of the Christmas Basket Ball Contests.

Contestants: All Ohio vs. Elderman  
Cadets.  
When: Christmas Day.  
Number of Games: Two, afternoon  
and evening.  
Time: 2:30 and 8:15.  
Where: Cadet Hall, East Spring  
street.

## PROBABLE LINEUP.

All Ohio Cadets  
Henry.....R. G.....Powers  
Tressell.....L. G.....Dickey or  
Farrell  
Smith.....C.....Baker  
Hooper.....P. F.....Buscher  
Leuthner.....A. F.....Miller

Something that the local basket ball fans have never been treated to in this city will be pulled off Christmas Day. Will Harmon, manager of the fast Elderman Cadet team, has booked an All-Ohio basket ball five for two games here Christmas Day. One of the games will be played in the afternoon and the other in the evening.

The Collegians bring with them nothing but high class basket ball tossers. Henry and Tressell, who formerly played on the Washington and Jefferson University eleven will be with the Ohio team and will work at guard positions.

Hosler, of the University of Pennsylvania and Leuthner, from Ohio State, will be used as forwards. It was learned last evening that Leuthner refused a trip with the State basket ball five to make this round. Smith, at one time an All-Ohio center, will endeavor to take care of the tip of position.

Fans will get a glimpse at another real basket ball player when they see Jack Powers in the local line-up. Powers is a well built man and will probably be a big surprise to some when they see the big guard in action.

"Red" Buscher, Ottawa star, assures the management that he will be back in the line-up for the Christmas games. Buscher is a good drawing card and has certainly been putting up a clever brand of ball so far this season. Practically every

Tinker And Wilson  
Are New Owners of  
Col. A. A. Club

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Joe Tinker, deposed manager of the Cubs, and Thomas E. Wilson, Chicago packer, are the new owners of the Columbus club of the American Association.

Part payment to bind the deal has been made in Columbus by Tinker and the deal is to be concluded January 3. The price was \$65,000. Tinker not only will manage the team, but may play shortstop.

"I am very glad Tinker has succeeded in getting the club," said President Weeghman of the Cubs. "There will be no trouble getting his release from the Cubs. He can have it any time he wants it."

GROWN HAS THREE MATCHES  
S-A-K-O FOR NEXT FEW DAYS

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—George K. O. Brown, the Greek middleweight, is on his way to Pittsburgh today. He has three matches booked for the next few weeks and if he comes out ahead in all will try to get first crack at Les Darcy, the Australian. Brown in two long fights with Darcy in Kangarooland, was not knocked down and made the best showing of any American boxers in the Antipodean champion.

Brown tackles Walter Monahan for six rounds in Pittsburgh tonight. On New Year's afternoon he is scheduled for a ten round go with Billy Miske in Brooklyn, and on January 18 he hooks up with Battling Levinsky for 12 rounds at Youngstown, Ohio.

by turning out for both games in WILLARD HAS TEN DAY THEATRICAL ENGAGEMENT

The afternoon contest is scheduled to start at 2:30 with the game in the evening beginning at 8:15.

The game in the evening will be followed by dancing.

## FIGHT RESULTS

TOLEDO—Jack McCarron beat Gus Christie in 12 rounds. Peg McMahon knocked out Johnny Celmar in two rounds.

ST. LOUIS—Young Joe Gans beat Leo Johnson in 12 rounds.

Bike Race To  
End This Evening

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Showing

marked traces of their grueling grind, the riders in the six-day bicycle race at Madison Square Garden today were pushing toward the finish. The race will end at 11 o'clock tonight.

Madden and Root are leading for joint honors, having scored a low score of 11 1/2 points as a result of the daily sprints. McNamara and Spears are second, with 13 1/2 points, and Hill and Drobach third, 21 1/2. The Root-Madden and McNamara-Spears teams are expected to furnish the fireworks in the final spring to decide the winner.

At the one hundred and twenty-eighth hours, 8 a. m., the six leading teams had gone 2,316 miles, 5 laps, with Cameron leading. Smith and Kopsky, Lawson and Mitten and Thomas and Ohr were one lap behind, while the Eaton-Bryan and Ohr-Bello teams were two laps in the rear. The riders are 150 miles behind the record made in 1914.

## COLLEGIATE NEWS.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The Pennsylvania University foot ball eleven is en route to Pasadena, Calif., to meet the University of Oregon eleven on New Year's day.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Yale's basket ball five lost to the Crescent A. C. 23 to 20. Lehigh defeated New York University 20 to 20. Princeton's quintet defeated Rochester University 41 to 9.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—More than 100 entries have been received for the junior indoor national tennis championship which opens here next Tuesday. Many collegians are among the entrants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Yale's hockey team humbled the St. Nicholas even here 4 to 2.

GET WISE.  
Help reduce the high cost of Buterine. Buy Sneeze or Empire.  
THE WM. F. NUMAN CO.

Read today's want column.

December 23, 1914.

## DEAR FRIENDS:

We wish you all a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR. Thanking you for your valuable patronage in the past and hoping for a continuance of same, we beg to remain,

Yours truly,

Evans & Thomas  
The Hardware Men.



## THRIFT TIPS.

A man does not have to be a "tight-wad" to be thrifty. He saves, but he spends wisely and gives generously. Faithfully write down every cent you spend. Put some common sense into the care of your own money. Spend less than you earn and get the THRIFT HABIT. We pay 5%.

## SAYS SHERIFFS WINK AT MOONSHINE STILL.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 23.—E. C. Yellowley, internal revenue agent in charge of the Atlanta district, charges that county sheriffs do not co-operate with revenue agents in running down moonshiners. All too often the moonshiner is protected by the county officials.

In those counties where federal revenue agents have the co-operation of the sheriff and his deputies moonshining is almost unknown. In other counties, where the local officials wink at the illicit manufacture of whiskey, moonshine stills are running almost night and day.

Mr. Yellowley declares some sheriffs laugh at requests of the revenue officers for assistance.

"There are some counties where the federal officers will go five miles out of their way in order to avoid being seen by the county officers," said Mr. Yellowley. "There are 10 different state laws being violated by moonshiners, yet action is taken only by the government, based solely on its revenue enactment."

## To Stop Self-Poisoning.

For furred and coated tongue, biliousness, sour stomach, indigestion, constipation and other results of a fermenting and poisoning mass of undigested food in the stomach and bowels, there is nothing better than that old-fashioned physic—Foley's Cathartic Tablets. Do not gripe nor sucken; act promptly. H. F. Vertkamp.

A want ad placed in The Times-Democrat will bring immediate results.

## Catarrhal Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one remedy, and that is to have a permanent cure. Catarrhal Deafness is caused by an infection, consisting of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube, which tube is instated when you have a rumbling cough, improper eating, and when it is entirely closed, the disease is the result. Unless the Eustachian tube is restored to its normal condition, hearing will not be restored to former. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrh, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous membranes. Rain's Catarrhal Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surfaces of the system.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrhal Deafness that cannot be cured by Rain's Catarrhal Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, Inc.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

## GIBBONS TO SEND HIS ANSWER TODAY

ST. PAUL, Dec. 23.—Mike Gibbons today will send his answer to a proposal of battling Jack Dillon 40

rounds at Havana, Cuba. The offer came through Mike Donlin, the former ball player, who is associated with a syndicate at Havana.

STIFF, SORE MUSCLES Relieved

Cramped muscles or soreness following a cold or case of grippe are eased and relieved by an application of Sloan's Liniment. Does not stain the skin or clog the pores like musk ointments or plasters and penetrates quickly without rubbing.

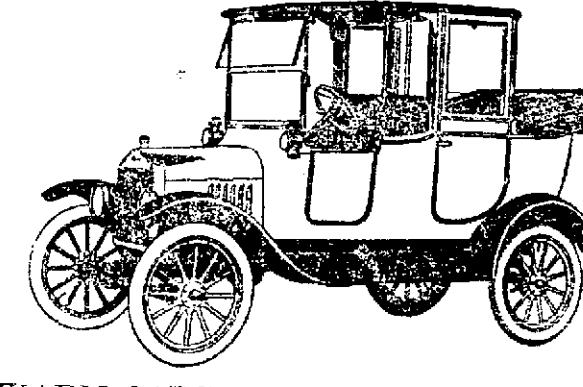
Limber up your muscles after exercise, drive out the pains and aches of rheumatism, neuralgia, lumbago, strains, sprains and bruises with Sloan's Liniment. Get a bottle to-day.

Nineteen stockings filled with good things for Christmas have been sent to children in the warring countries of Europe with the proceeds of the special offering collected last Sunday in the First Congregational church. At the services in that church last Sunday, the amount of \$9.58 was collected, which was spent for things to fill these stockings.

## WELL-FILLED STOCKINGS SENT TO UNFORTUNATES.

FOR SERVICE, CALL PHONE RICE-5963

## White Star Taxi Line



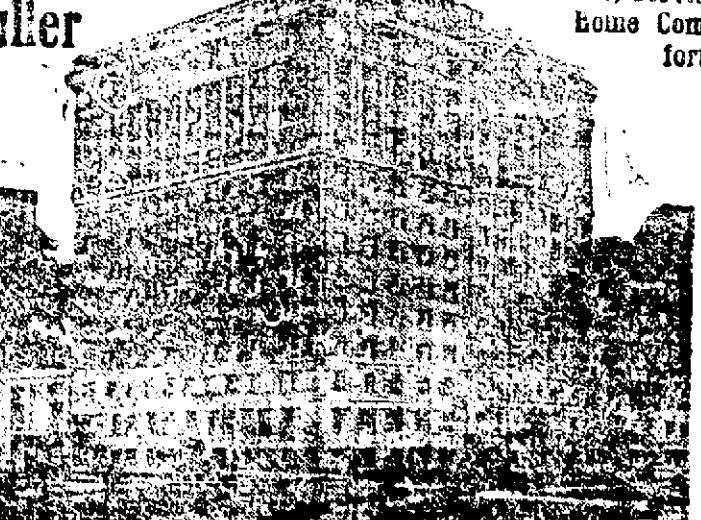
WARM CARS AND QUICK SERVICE.

## DAY AND NIGHT.

Bear 312 North Union St. By the hour, \$2.00.  
Service to All Parts of the City.

## Buy Furniture for Christmas

## Meet me at the Tuller



## NEW HOTEL TULLER

DETROIT, MICHIGAN  
Center of business on Grand Circus Park. Take Woodward car, set off at Adams Avenue.

## ABSOLUTELY FIREPROOF

200 Rooms, Private Bath, \$1.50 Single, \$2.50 Up Double  
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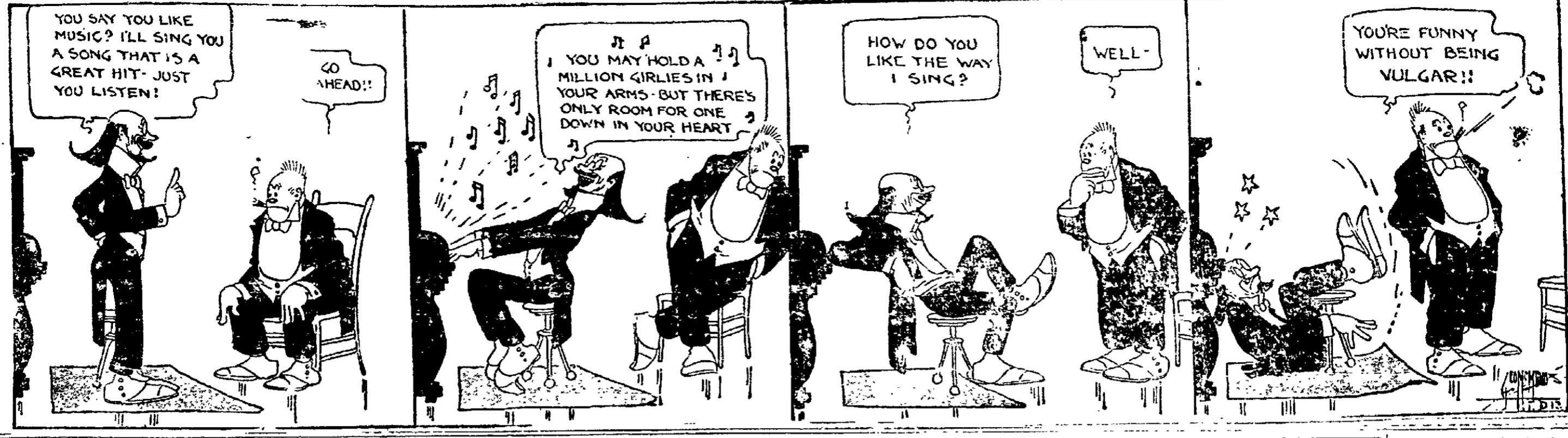
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## RINGING UP FATHER

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By George McManus

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WLL ST. MARKETSFew Traders Attend and  
There is No Inclination to  
Start Anything Exciting.General Tendency is Down-  
ward on Moderate Sales  
in the Principal Stocks.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Trading of a holiday character was noted at the opening of the stock exchange today, there being only a small attendance on the floor and on the street and there was little inclination to start new commitments with the down holiday interval so close at hand.

U. S. Steel common was actively traded in, however, opening with rates of 19,000 shares from 10 1/2 to 10 1/4 against 10 1/2 at the close yesterday, but in the next few minutes it sagged to 10 1/4.

Central Leather was another active issue, starting 1 1/2 lower at 86 and in the next ten minutes trading it dropped to 82 1/2, an even-cut loss of 4 points.

Anaconda opened 1/4 higher at 83 1/2 from which it quickly dropped to 82 1/2. Utah declined 1 1/2 to 99 1/2 and American swelling 1 1/2 to 104 1/2.

On moderate sales Marine preferred dropped over 2 points to 9 1/2 and a drop of half was sustained in common, which sold at 26.

Bethlehem Steel opened at 501 against 510 at the close yesterday and General Electric which closed yesterday at 167 1/2 dropped to 157 1/2 before the first half-hour trading.

American Sugar Beetmen started a point higher at 103 1/2, People's Gas 1 1/2 up at 107 1/2; Pittsburgh Coal 1 1/2 up at 49 1/2 and Republic Iron and Steel a point higher at 77 1/2. These gains were not maintained, however, and as the first-half hour ended a general downward movement was in progress.

The close was: Alus-Chalmers 27 1/2; Alus-Chalmers pfd 81; American Agricultural 50; American Beet Sugar 90; American Can Co. 46 1/2; American Car &amp; Foundry 64 1/2; American Cotton Oil 49 1/2; American Locomotive 76 1/2; American Smelting 105 1/2; American Steel Foundries 61; American sugar Refining 104 1/2; American Tel. &amp; Tel. 13 1/2; American woolen 43; Anaconda Copper 82 1/2; Atchison 104 1/2; Bawerm, Locomotive 58 1/2; Bawermore &amp; Ohio 84 1/2; Bethlehem Steel 503; Brooklyn Rapid Transit 82; California Locomotive 25; Canadian Pacific 110 1/2; Chesapeake &amp; Ohio 65 1/2; Chicago &amp; Northwestern 125; Colorado Fuel &amp; Iron 41 1/2; Chicago, Mil. &amp; St. Paul 92; Chino Copper 54%; Consolidated Gas 1 1/2; Corn Products 24 1/2; Crucible Steel 55; Distilleries &amp; Securities 30 1/2; Erie 1st pfd. 49 1/2; General Electric 16 1/2; Goodrich Co. 60; Great Northern, pfd. 117 1/2; Great Northern Oil 36 1/2; Illinois Central 107; Inspiration Copper 56 1/2; Interboro 17 1/2; International Harvester 121; Central Leather 85 1/2; Kansas City Southern 26 1/2; Missouri, Kansas &amp; Texas 11 1/2; Lackawanna Steel 83 1/2; Lehigh Valley 80; Miami Copper 38 1/2; Louisville 132; Maxwell Motor Co. 18 1/2; Missouri Pacific 1 1/2; New England 36; New York, N. H. &amp; New Haven 35 1/2; National Lead 60; Northern Pacific 35 1/2; Northern Pacific, New York, Ontario &amp; Western 56 1/2; Pennsylvania 56 1/2; Pressed Steel Car 55 1/2; Consolidated 26 1/2; International 44 1/2; International 101 1/2; Reading Iron &amp; Steel 76 1/2; Steel, pfd. 104; Sloss Shefford 57; Tennessee 37 1/2; Southern 12 1/2; Southern Railway pfd. 112 1/2; Texas 56 1/2; S. Rubber 1 1/2; S. Steel 14 1/2; Virginian 55 1/2; Westinghouse 55 1/2; Union 55 1/2; Marine

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Sherman E. Ely, sheriff, to William Judkins, inlot 53 in Allentown, \$225.45.

Home Builders' Realty company to Isaac Painter and wife, south half of inlot 1927 in Heeze's addition to Lima, \$1.

## NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Hay, full, No. 1 \$5 @ 100; No. 3 7/8 @ 80; mixed clover 50 @ 90.

Wool strong, domestic fleece 40 @ 100; du puled basin 62 @ 90; Texas scoured basis 63 @ 115.

Dressed poultry, firm; turkeys irregular. Chickens 15 @ 32; tows 15 1/2 @ 23; turkeys 24 @ 34; ducks 18 @ 23; geese 14 @ 23.

Live poultry, active. Chickens 20 @ 22; fowls 20 @ 22; turkeys 2 @ 30; roosters 15; ducks 18 @ 19; geese 16 @ 17.

Butter unsalted. Creamery extras 37 1/2 @ 42; creamy firsts 36 @ 11; higher scoring 38 @ 43; state dairy tubs 30 1/2 @ 40; renovated extras 35 @ 35 1/2.

Eggs, irregular. Nearby white fancy 63 @ 65; nearby brown fancy 54 @ 56; extra 50 @ 51; firsts 46 @ 47.

Milk, wholesale, price per quart, delivered in New York 4 1/2 @ 5.

## METAL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Speiser weak; prime western spot and January 9 1/2; February and March 9 1/2; second quarter 8 1/2. Copper quiet; first quarter 23 1/2 @ 34; second 33 1/2; third 32 1/2 @ 33; final 31 1/2 @ 32.

## TOLEDO LIVESTOCK.

TOLEDO, Dec. 23.—Hogs, market steady; selected heavies \$10.50 @ 10 1/2; good mixed 10 1/4 @ 10 5/8; heavy workers \$10.30 @ 10 40; light workers \$9.50 @ 10 00; good mixed \$10.30 @ 10 50; bulk of sales \$10.40 @ 10 50; food pigs \$9.00 @ 9 30; roughs \$8.00 @ 9 25; stags \$8.00 @ 9 30.

## CLEVELAND LIVE STOCK.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 23.—Cattle, receipts 200; market slow and 10 @ 15 lower. Choice fat steers \$8.65 @ 8 1/2; good to choice butcher steers \$7.75 @ 8 15; good to choice heifers \$7.65 @ 7.85.

Calves, receipts 125; market active. Good to choice veal calves 15.6. Canton \$4,174,000; increase 36.9. Springfield \$1,372,000 increase 18.1. Mansfield \$837,000; increase 15.2.

## NOTICE.

Katherine C. Anderson, whose last known place of residence was Chester, Pennsylvania, will please take notice that Charles T. Anderson has filed in the Court of Common Pleas of Allen County, Ohio, his petition for divorce on the ground of gross neglect of duty and willful absence for more than three years. Defendant is required to answer on or before six weeks of the first publication of this notice or judgment will be taken against her.

CHARLES T. ANDERSON.

By J. F. Evans, His Attorney.

## PROBATE NOTICE.

The State of Ohio, Allen County, ss: To Whom It May Concern: Notice is hereby given that accounts and vouchers have been filed in the office of the Probate Judge by Executors of the wills of the following deceased persons:

11/30/2—First and final account of Bessie Hall, executrix of the will of Elizabeth Crossley, deceased.

11/47—First and final account of William P. McCoy as executor of the will of J. H. Buiden, deceased.

11/54—First and final account of Walter O. and Wm. D. Roberts as executors of the will of William W. Roberts, deceased.

11/53—First (suspended) account of Julia Light as executrix of the will of Abraham Light, deceased.

11/52—First partial account of Mary Matilda Hardesty as executrix of the will of Henry Hardesty, deceased.

10/25—First and final account of Ella Pyle guardian of Harry L. and Frank M. Pyle, minors.

10/89—First and final account of Ida S. Horn as guardian of Charles and Arthur Horn, minors.

All persons interested in said accounts or trusts, a day was whatever will take notice that the same have been set for hearing on Tuesday, January 2nd, 1916, at 10 o'clock A. M., at or before which time exceptions may be filed to any of said accounts and the same will be heard at that time or at such other time as the court may designate.

11/30—First partial account of Nora Blair as administratrix of the estate of Luther Carl Blair, deceased.

11/42—First and final account of

## COMMON &amp; SPRING LAMBS.

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## NEWSBOY'S DINNER TONIGHT

**Future Business Men Are "All Set" for Gus Kahl's Annual Feed.**

All is in readiness for the annual dinner to newsboys to be given this evening in the Masonic hall by their tried and trusty friend, Gus Kahl.

The little merchants have all

registered, and indications are now that the attendance will be ahead of last year. At any rate, the boys have grown to know something about their "feats" that Mr. Kahl's generous purse provides for them, and this season several who held back last year will be among the first ones to reach the hall tonight.

The dinner is to start promptly at 6 o'clock. The menu is so extensive that the average paper hasn't room to ding the pay roll of the D. T. & I.

## FANCHLER FACES COURT; GOES TO GRAND JURY.

Richard Fanchler, arrested on a charge of obtaining money by padding the pay roll of the D. T. & I.

print it, and there are several features it is not advisable to mention as the host desires to spring them as a surprise upon his army of future business men.

Mr. and Mrs. Puri New and his mother, of South Atlantic Avenue, went to Huntington, Ind., to spend Christmas with Mrs. Puri New's mother and sisters.

For results--TIMES want ads.

## HOLD COURT CHRISTMAS DAY

Judge Jackson May Want to Give a Few Little Presents.

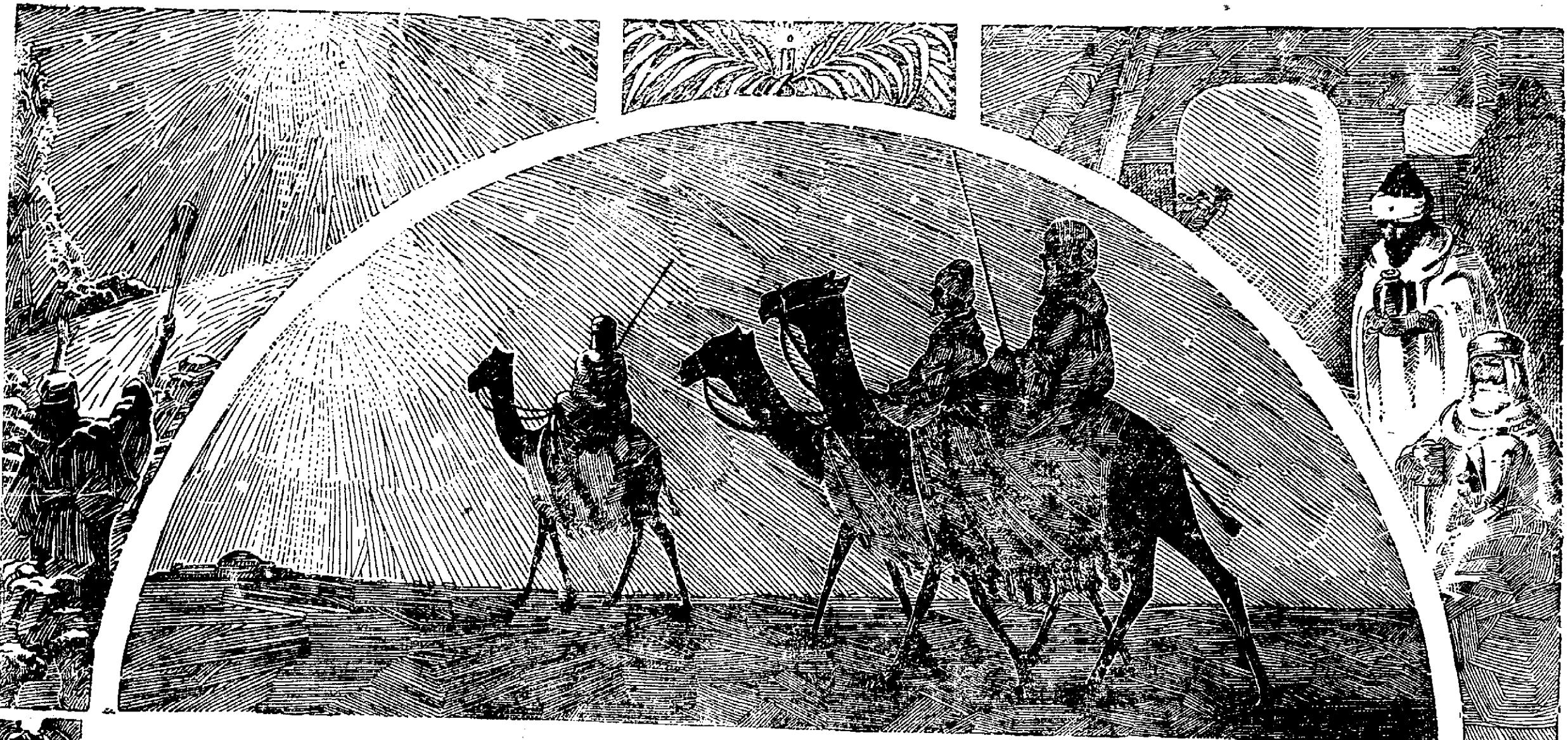
Police Judge Jackson, stated this morning that he will hold court Christmas morning, as he believes

the full privileges of the holidays. However, those whom he sees should stay in the dark cell will have to be held, and will only receive as their Christmas dinner the usual bread and water.

Three were arraigned in criminal court this morning, all being arrested on the same charge, drunkenness. One was fined \$1 and costs, one dismissed and the other expected to be dismissed sometime today.

## CENTURY CLUB MAN DIES AT AGE OF 84; MT. GILEAD.

**MARION, OHIO.**—John Burden Denman, who educated his son, Denman, to manhood, died yesterday at the advanced age of 84. Denman, Morrow county. He had been bedridden three years. He was the uncle of W. B. Denman, president of the Cardington



*To those whose friendship we have cherished in the past,*

*To those whose friendship we have recently gained,  
To those whose friendship we strive to deserve,  
We send these*

## GREETINGS:-

*May your Christmas be merry and filled with the sincere affection of those who love you.*

*May your New Year be happy and filled with the greatest prosperity of those you love.*

*And may the loving kindness of the Christmas tide so soften the hearts of the world that all the Nations may hear once more the angel's song of*

*"Peace on earth, good will to men"*

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